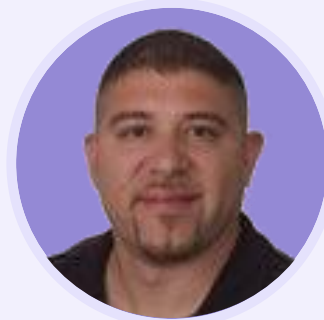


King & Spalding LLP – Reducing Risk and Optimizing IP Management with Anaqua

Meet **Josh Villegas**, IP Docketing Supervisor at [King & Spalding LLP](#), who plays a key role in overseeing intellectual property docketing operations, ensuring accuracy, compliance, and timely management of critical IP deadlines across global portfolios. King & Spalding LLP is a leading international law firm known for its strength in complex litigation, corporate and transactional work, and highly regarded intellectual property practice, serving a diverse roster of clients from major corporations to emerging innovators worldwide.



Tell us about your background and role at King & Spalding LLP.

Josh Villegas (JV): I've been with King & Spalding for 19 years and in the IP field for nearly 28 years.

My role as IP Docketing Supervisor involves overseeing docketing operations across multiple offices, training staff, and ensuring everything runs smoothly.

What challenges led you to look for a new IP management solution?

JV: Our previous system was outdated and inefficient. It required constant manual checks, which increased risk and wasted time. We needed a modern solution that could automate processes, reduce malpractice exposure, and make collaboration easier across offices.

Why did you choose Anaqua's PATTSY WAVE® platform?

JV: We love how Anaqua's PATTSY WAVE automatically sends out docket reports to attorneys and paralegals. One less thing we have to do manually. Ease of use and automation were key. The PATTSY WAVE platform is user-friendly and offers features that make life easier for everyone – from partners to paralegals. The ability to automatically send docket reports and reminders was a big win for us.

How has Anaqua improved efficiency and ROI?

JV: Reports that used to take hours now take 15–20 minutes. The upcoming integration with Anaqua Services for annuities and renewals will save even more time by automatically including cost data in reports.

“Our old system was just outdated. It was time to look for something new. We tested all the major docketing platforms. I've worked on quite a few IP management solutions providers, but PATTSY WAVE stood out.” — Josh Villegas

What features have made the biggest impact?

JV: One of the biggest game-changers for us is Auto-Docketing and Document Integration. Everything is in one place, so we don't have to jump between systems. It's almost like a one-stop shop. Everything is right there for you, which saves time and reduces errors.

Another feature we rely on is **Custom Reporting**. I can build and save reports for specific partners and clients, which makes it easy to deliver exactly what they need quickly and accurately. It's a huge time-saver and improves the quality of our reporting.

We also love **Client Access**. Clients can log in, view their portfolio, and even run reports themselves. It gives them transparency and control, and they really appreciate having that single source of truth.

Finally, we really value Anaqua's quarterly **country law updates**. These updates keep us ahead of upcoming changes in global IP regulations, so we can proactively adjust our processes and ensure compliance. What's great is that Anaqua's Country Law team is equally proactive. They're always two steps ahead, making sure those changes are built into the system before they impact our work. It's a huge advantage and one of the perks we truly appreciate.

What other Anaqua solutions are you using?

JV: We use the Global IP Estimator and are transitioning to Anaqua Services for patent annuities and trademark renewals. This will eliminate back-and-forth emails and streamline the entire process.

How has Anaqua supported collaboration within your team and with clients?

JV: The platform allows us to send reminders, share updates, and keep everyone aligned on deadlines. Our clients love having visibility into their portfolios and the ability to run reports themselves.

What makes Anaqua unique compared to other providers?

JV: Anaqua's support team is responsive and helpful. If I need something urgently, they follow up the same day. Plus, Anaqua is building a true one-stop shop for IP management, which is exactly what we need.

Looking ahead, what innovations do you see shaping IP management?

JV: AI will play a big role in patent and trademark searches and risk management. When Anaqua rolls out AI features, we'll be ready to leverage them for even greater efficiency.

Summary

King & Spalding's adoption of Anaqua's PATTSY WAVE platform has transformed its IP operations: reducing risk, saving time, and improving collaboration across offices and with clients. With Anaqua's unified platform and upcoming AI capabilities, King & Spalding is well-positioned to stay ahead in a rapidly evolving IP landscape.



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