



Intellectual Property

Intellectual Property is often one of the most valuable assets in a company's portfolio.

We work with clients to learn about their goals and objectives. Once we understand where they want to go, we then develop and implement comprehensive strategies to protect their interests, preserve their identity, safeguard their merchandise and routes of distribution, and resolve potential or actual conflicts. We provide focused and individual attention to clients' needs and are often able to discover solutions and business opportunities where it was once thought only issues existed.

Our team excels in a wide array of issues, specifically those associated with software and technology development, including privacy/data security considerations, invention and ownership complications and the application of new trade secret statutes. Our clients include companies in the high technology, healthcare, biotechnology, agribusiness, pharmaceutical, and government/public agency sectors. We represent them in the acquisition, disposition, protection, licensing, and exploitation of IP rights. Our work includes IP protection through copyrights, trademarks, service marks, trade secrets, technical assistance agreements, and confidentiality and nondisclosure agreements.

Our services include the licensing and exploitation of clients' IP portfolios (patents, copyrighted software programs, trademarks, service marks, trade names, internet domain names, and algorithms), compliance with regulatory requirements applicable to those portfolios, financing for and development of R&D programs, as well as litigation and other claims. We also have extensive experience in connection with the collateralization of IP (including mortgages of copyrights, trademarks, and service marks) for financing purposes and with outright assignments and transfers of IP rights. We conduct due diligence reviews of IP in connection with technology licensing transfers, financings, and M&A transactions. We also represent U.S. clients with respect to cross-border licensing of software, trademarks, trade secrets, know-how, and other intellectual property rights, including licenses with enterprises in the European Union, Central America, Japan, Taiwan, the Philippines, China, Singapore, Hong Kong, and Korea.

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