

Intellectual Property

Your ideas. Your innovations. Your brand. Our IP practice understands that these assets make your business unique, and we know how to protect them.

There's a reason why more than half of the world's top 100 brands (*Financial Times*, 2017) have chosen us to represent them. With 400 IP professionals worldwide, we combine a global outlook with local knowledge across the life cycle of IP assets — from development to commercialization, and licensing through to maturity. But it's not how many lawyers we have; it's the way we work together that our clients really value.

Many of our lawyers hold advanced degrees in science and engineering, helping us to fully appreciate the products and processes in traditional industries, as well as emerging ones.

We live and breathe IP. And we are ready to resolve your intellectual property issues wherever and however they arise.

Representative experience

Advising Merck & Co., Inc. (Kenilworth, New Jersey, USA) in a trademark, domain name, and social media dispute with Merck KGaA. over use of the name “Merck” in Europe and the U.S.

Acting for Lilly in the landmark patent dispute *Actavis v Eli Lilly*. The UK Supreme Court ruled in favor of Lilly, reversing two earlier decisions. Lilly was also successful in the German Supreme Court.

Key contacts

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Trending Topics

[LimeGreen IP](#)

An overview of IP law and related procedures, and how these may differ from country to country.

[Brand Benchmarking 2017](#)

How brands around the world create, clear, file, protect, and enforce their trademarks. [Learn more.](#)

Representing leading technology giants in their multijurisdictional and local patent disputes, including BlackBerry, Dell, HTC, KPN, and Motorola.

Managing the EUTM portfolio and EUTM and Pan-European conflicts of multinational companies like Dell, Estée Lauder, Mars, Starbucks, Billabong, Kenneth Cole, Euronews, Asahi Europe, Ocean Spray, and Ferring.

Managing Deutsche Telekom's global trademark and domain name portfolio, and advising on complex color mark and other nontraditional trademark litigation in Europe and the U.S.

Representing uPI Semiconductor in a defense of an ITC enforcement proceeding brought by Richtek Technology involving Richtek's allegations of patent infringement and trade secret misappropriation.

Representing a U.S. game software company and its Chinese licensee to successfully obtain an interim injunction from Guangzhou IP Court against an infringing mobile game.

We filed and won the first paperless eUDRP case in a domain-name dispute before WIPO on behalf of a leading mobile phone manufacturer.

Advising SABMiller in the context of the mega merger between AB InBev and SABMiller – in which Asahi committed to acquire the Peroni, Grolsch, and Meantime brands globally.

Global IP counsel to the consortium of Audi AG, BMW Group, and Daimler AG on their €2.8bn acquisitions of Nokia's digital mapping unit HERE.

Awards and rankings

- China Copyright Firm of the Year, *Managing Intellectual Property Awards*, 2018
- Japan Foreign Firm of the Year, *Managing Intellectual Property Awards*, 2018
- Hong Kong Prosecution Firm of the Year, *Managing Intellectual Property Awards*, 2018
- IP Team of the Year, *The Lawyer Awards*, 2018

Our Outlook on Global IP

A look at some of the opportunities and challenges in 2017.

LimeGreen IP News

Areas of focus

- False Advertising and Unfair Competition
 - Government Rights in Intellectual Property
 - International Trade Commission
 - IP Litigation, Arbitration, and Alternative Dispute Resolution
 - IP Rights in Transactions
 - IP Licensing, Commercialization, and Technology Transfer
 - Strategic Counseling and Portfolio Development
 - Media and Entertainment Litigation
 - Post-Grant Proceedings
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Related practices

- Copyright
- Designs
- Domain Names
- Patents
- Trademarks and Brands

- TMT Firm of the Year, *Legal Business Awards*, 2018
- IP Law Firm of the Year - Italy, *Legalcommunity IP & TMT Awards*, 2018
- Pharmaceutical Law Firm of the Year, *Legalcommunity IP & TMT Awards*, 2018
- International IP Law Firm of the Year, *ALB Japan Law Awards*, 2018
- International IP Firm of the Year, *ALB China Law Awards*, 2018
- We are the only law firm ranked Band 1 for IP in Chambers Global, Europe-wide, and Asia-Pacific guides., 2018
- Global IP Firm of the Year, *Managing Intellectual Property Awards*, 2018
- European Patent Contentious Firm of the Year, *Managing Intellectual Property Awards*, 2018
- European Trademark Contentious Firm of the Year, *Managing Intellectual Property Global Awards*, 2018
- Germany Patent Contentious Firm of the Year, *Managing Intellectual Property Awards*, 2018
- UK Impact Case of the Year, *Managing Intellectual Property Awards*, 2018
- TMT Firm of the Year, *The Legal 500 UK Awards*, 2018
- European Trademark Firm of the Year, *Managing Intellectual Property Awards*, 2017
- Germany - IP Law Firm of the Year, *JUVE Awards*, 2017

Latest thinking and events

Published Works

Optimal data commercialisation: transforming raw data into revenue-generating insights

Financier Worldwide

Sponsorships and Speaking Engagements

Hogan Lovells to sponsor and speak at the Financial Innovation and Payments Summit 2018

Press Releases

Trade Secrets and Confidential Know-how

Related industries

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Automotive and Mobility

Consumer

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TMT

Hogan Lovells advises Crédit Agricole CIB on German ECM cooperation with Metzler Capital Markets

Press Releases

Hogan Lovells advises Shop Apotheke on the acquisition of nu3 GmbH

Hogan Lovells Publications

Why automotive companies in the connected car and autonomous driving industry need to review their trademark portfolios

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How do I draft my arbitration agreement to cater for the arbitration of IP disputes?