

Intellectual Property

Strength and agility in exploiting, protecting and enforcing intellectual property rights is business-critical. Our full-service intellectual property practice combines proven first-chair trial lawyers with true technical specialists to defend our clients' IP interests through:

- Patent litigation before district courts across the country, including the Western District of Texas, the Eastern District of Texas, the District of Delaware, and the Central and Northern Districts of California
- Post-Grant proceedings, including *inter partes* review in front of the Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB)
- Appellate courts and the International Trade Commission (ITC)
- Trademark Trial and Appeal Board (TTAB) proceedings
- [Patent prosecution, counseling and IP due diligence](#)
- Media and entertainment litigation, including leading-edge music and copyright matters
- [Trademark enforcement, prosecution, counseling and IP due diligence](#)
- Trademark, copyright, trade secret and false advertising litigation

Our IP litigators have handled hundreds of complex litigation matters across a diverse range of industry sectors, including most notably life sciences, telecommunications, computer systems, media and entertainment, biotech, consumer products, oil and gas, cosmetics and food and beverage.

Our patent trial lawyers are extremely capable in obtaining the best results for our clients and are not afraid to litigate in the most complicated of cases. For many clients, the at-risk product revenues were in the billions of dollars per case.

Capability Lawyers



Stephen E. Baskin (Steve)
Washington, D.C.



Thomas J. Friel, Jr. (Tom)
Silicon Valley



Kenneth L. Steintal
San Francisco



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New York

Recognition

Ranked Tier 1 Nationally for
Copyright Litigation

LEGAL 500 US, 2022

Top Ranked Across Various
Jurisdictions for Intellectual
Property

CHAMBERS USA, 2022

Top Ranked for Patent
Litigation Nationwide

CHAMBERS USA, 2022

Named Law Firm of the Year
- Copyright (West)

MANAGING IP HANDBOOK,
2022

King & Spalding's IP practice has established a reputation as a go-to firm for IP appellate work. Our litigation teams make concerted efforts to include, where appropriate, appellate practitioners before, during and after trial to ensure the best record and the best results for the client.

In trademark and copyright litigation, our lawyers have represented clients in trials and preliminary injunction hearing, practiced in federal courts, the USPTO, TTAB and ITC, and participated in ICANN domain name arbitrations.

Our media and entertainment practice is right at the cutting edge of digital media and traditional media. Our team has particular experience in litigating copyright infringement and antitrust/rate-setting claims in cases involving the distribution of audio and audio-visual media content.

The majority of the team's patent professionals hold technical degrees, with many having industry experience as well.

Cases & Deals

April 24, 2025

King & Spalding Secures Complete Defense Verdict for Motive in Competitor Patent Case

March 10, 2025

King & Spalding Secures Victory for Disney in Copyright Case

October 24, 2024

King & Spalding Receives Rare General Exclusion Order in ITC Section 337 Investigation for Composite Resources and North American Rescue

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Insights

ARTICLE

February 5, 2025

Protecting your client's IP in a world without non-competes

CLIENT ALERT

December 26, 2024

USTR Initiates Section 301 Investigation on China's Semiconductors

ARTICLE

December 18, 2024

Unwrapping Retailer AI Risks Amid Holiday Shopping Season

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Events

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

15 Lawyers Listed as "IP Stars"

MANAGING IP HANDBOOK, 2022

Recommended for Trademark Law

WORLD TRADEMARK REVIEW 1000, 2022

14 Lawyers Named to "Patent 1000"

INTELLECTUAL ASSET MANAGEMENT, 2022

IP Lawyers Recognized as Top Litigators

BENCHMARK LITIGATION, 2022

Tier 1 Nationally and Regionally for Litigation – Intellectual Property, Copyright Law, Patent Litigation, and Trademark Law

US NEWS & WORLD REPORT, 2022

January 15, 2025

Kathleen McCarthy to Speak at Practising Law Institute

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

October 8, 2024

Kathleen E. McCarthy to Speak at the New York Intellectual Property Law Association's IP Transactions Bootcamp

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

October 1, 2024

Kathleen E. McCarthy to Speak at Practising Law Institute

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News

IN THE NEWS

April 17, 2025

Jonathan Weinberg, Shane Brun and Angela Tarasi counsel F5 before the Federal Circuit, which upheld a lower court's finding that the Seattle-based technology company did not infringe a patent owned by WSOU Investments LLC covering a network traffic distribution technology

RECOGNITION

April 2, 2025

Daily Journal Names Arwen Johnson to its 2025 Top IP Attorneys in California List

IN THE NEWS

March 11, 2025

Kenneth Steinthal, Michael Roth and Banner Banks represent Paramount Global in comedy industry and copyright royalties class action settlement

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