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Our Analysis

VÉRON & ASSOCIÉS: PATENT LITIGATION IS THEIR VOCATION



Pierre Véron

Leaders:
Pierre Véron, Sabine Agé
and Amandine Métier
Established:
2001

Track record: The firm's clientele includes large and medium-sized businesses in the pharmaceutical, cosmetic, chemical, agrifood and telecom sectors, for whom patents of invention constitute a vital strategic asset. The firm is increasingly involved with innovative players in the biosimilars and medical devices areas.

Team & differentiation: "100% patent litigation" is the motto of Véron & Associés who dedicate themselves exclusively to invention patents, in all their aspects, judicial, technical, economic, linguistic, etc. Although an independent outfit, the firm can count on a reliable network of IP teams in Europe and the US.

BIRD & BIRD: FULL SERVICE IP OFFERING



Yves Bizollon

Leader:
Yves Bizollon
Established:
2000

Track record: In matters of patent as well as those of soft IP, the firm represents giants in the health, digital, industrial, media and agri-food sectors. The overall package proposed by the lawyers includes IP portfolio management, contracts and litigation. The team also conducts audits of intangible assets in case of M&A operations.

Team & differentiation: Within the international network at Bird & Bird, the firm's IP team in Paris is made up of a complimentary mix of profiles and stands out as one of the strongest practices of the country, as evidenced by their being awarded the 2017 *Trophée d'Or* for their work in trademark law. The team simultaneously draws on their technical expertise and their closeness to clients to allow for flexible adaptation to the specifics of each case.

BARDEHLE PAGENBERG: AN INTERNATIONAL VISION ON IP



Julien Fréneaux

Leaders:
Julien Fréneaux, D.
Dupuis-Latour and R.
Deloëy
Established:
1992

Track record: The firm covers the full spectrum of IP protection from prosecution to litigation, advising clients on issues relating to patents, trademarks, and designs. The team is particularly skilled at dealing with IP matters in the electronic and telecom sectors, but also has solid expertise in the mechanical and pharmaceutical sectors.

Team & differentiation: Bardehle Pagenberg is capable of simultaneously handling a range of litigious matters and ensures their long-term follow-up. The firm counts on a strong international network of lawyers and patent attorneys who cooperate to give the best possible protection for their clients' IP needs in Europe, Asia and the US, as well as exceeding their clients' expectations for strategic global protection of IP.

LOYER ABELLO: ABSORPTION OF HAMMOND STRENGTHENS PRACTICE



Michel Abello

Leaders:
Michel Abello, Bertrand
Loyer and William
Hammond
Established:
2003

Track record: Specialists in innovation law, Loyer Abello absorbed IP firm Hammond at the start of 2017. The acquisition reinforced their expertise in patent, trademark and design. The team tackles topical cases, notably dealing with tobacco legislation and the issue of plain packaging.

Team & differentiation: Loyer Abello is one of those rare firms that deal with cases in partnership with engineers and outside lawyers. The team has created a European network of the best independent law firms in patent, in order to best tackle all the issues linked to the Unified Patent Court.

AMAR GOUSSU STAUB: DUAL EXPERTISE IN PATENTS AND IT



Cyrille Amar

Leader:
Cyrille Amar
Established:
2017

Track record: A boutique firm specializing in IP and IT law, they draw notably on their recognized expertise in patent litigation. The team is increasingly active in providing advice in the cybersecurity, telecoms and software licenses domains. The industrial, luxury goods and pharmaceuticals sectors figure prominently among the activities of the outfit.

Team & differentiation: Even if the firm has only existed in its current form since January 2017, the team have been working together since 2003. With a main office in Paris and another in Lyon the lawyers deal with cases in French, as well as in English for their international clients. They also have a blog dedicated to the Unified Patent Court, which gathers articles and analysis related to the proposed jurisdiction.

METHODOLOGY

The criteria are:

- Recognition & reputation of the firm in its market
- Team size, seniority of partners (or executive officers, managing directors, etc.), managing director, chief executive..., education & training level of the associates (or consultants, investment managers, etc.)
- Volume, nature and quality of the cases dealt by the firm
- Prestige, diversity and internationalization of the firm's client base
- Team expansion and revenue generated by the activity considered in the ranking

Rankings are established with the following tools:

- **Submission form procedure:**
We send questionnaires & submission forms to the structure already included in Leaders League rankings and to others likely to be included. They are, in particular, invited to provide information on their organization, their client bases, their track record and their market.
- **Qualitative procedure:**
To supplement the questionnaires, Leaders League teams conduct a large number of interviews, which enable us not only to learn more about the firm included in our listings, but also to assess the dynamism of the market. Analysts and market researchers also have meetings with a large number of companies' executives (private companies, funds, banks) who have the opportunity to comment and provide fresh intelligence on the market and on the advisors they are soliciting.



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POSITIONING

Véron & Associés assists French and foreign companies in the prevention and resolution of disputes involving patents, trade secrets and plant breeders' rights. Litigation, strategic advice, negotiation, arbitration and mediation are all facets of our practice.

Thanks to our multidisciplinary team, consisting of 29 people including 12 attorneys-at-law, an economic litigation consultant and a professor of physics and chemistry, we are able to simultaneously address the legal, financial and technical aspects of a case, in all sectors of industry. With the help of our graphic designer, we create all types of visual aids in support of our demonstrations.

International strategies are developed in coordination with an open network of foreign colleagues. We actively participate in the construction of the Unified Patent Court and we help our clients get prepared.

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