

Domain Names

Having a global online strategy is essential. Cybersquatters are a significant threat to your online reputation, security, and revenue streams. Our internet domain name team has advised clients in this area for more than 15 years.

Domain name portfolios inevitably cover a multitude of countries. Your enforcement efforts must be global. At the cutting edge of internet-related branding issues, we helped to develop appropriate rights protection mechanisms within ICANN for the new gTLD program.

Together, we will make sure you have the right strategy and strike the right balance between defensive registrations, monitoring, and recuperation.

Representative experience

Filed and won first paperless eUniform Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy (eUDRP) case in a domain-name dispute before WIPO on behalf of a leading mobile phone manufacturer.

Advised Canyon Bicycle in the first ever UDRP case filed against a new gTLD.

Managing the global trademark portfolio and domain name enforcement for eBay, and major global rebrands for both eBay and PayPal.

Managing Deutsche Telekom's global trademark and domain name portfolio. Advising on complex color mark and other

Key contacts

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Trending Topics

Global IP Outlook

Key changes in case law and market trends that will impact your business and how you manage your IP.

Areas of focus

IP Litigation, Arbitration, and Alternative Dispute Resolution

IP Rights in Transactions

IP Licensing, Commercialization, and

nontraditional trademark litigation in Europe and the U.S.

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 U.S.

Advising a major international company on the ICANN new gTLD application process and how it affects trademark owners.

Advising a China-based domain name registry in formulating its registration policies (English and Chinese) for a new gTLD.

Advising a major Chinese micro blogging company on new gTLD Legal Rights Objection process and assisting with preparation and filing of Legal Rights Objections with WIPO.

Representing Tencent in successfully recovering its much-publicized domain name "weixin.com" (WeChat in Mandarin) through domain name proceedings before HKIAC.

Awards and rankings

- 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*, 2019 & 2018
- Germany - IP Law Firm of the Year, *JUVE Awards*, 2017
- International IP Law Firm of the Year, *ALB Japan Law Awards*, 2018 & 2017
- Italy - Best IP Law Firm, *Toplegal Awards*, 2017
- IP Law Firm of the Year - Italy, *Legalcommunity IP & TMT Awards*, 2019 & 2018
- Best in IP, *Asia-Pacific Dispute Resolution Awards*, 2016
- Japan - International Firm of the Year, *Managing Intellectual Property Global Awards*, 2016
- International IP Firm of the Year, *ALB China Law Awards*, 2018
- Italy - Contentious Firm of the Year, *Managing Intellectual Property Global Awards*, 2015
- European Domain Names / Internet Team of the Year,

Technology Transfer

Strategic Counseling and Portfolio Development

Broadband, Internet, and E-commerce

Technology Contracts

Latest thinking and events

Insights

Overview of the Intellectual Property Chapter of the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA)

News

Welcoming new IPMT partners and counsel in 2020

News

The importance of Registry Lock

News

ICANN report wipes the smile off emoji domains

Insights

Registration justified by prior business relationship

Insights

When "Nova Tela" is as common as telenovelas