

Dr. Steffen Steininger, M.Jur. (Oxford)

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Biography

Steffen Steininger helps clients navigate through challenging IP issues successfully and efficiently. With more than fifteen years of experience in patent infringement and validity litigation at all major German District and Appeals Courts, the German Federal Supreme Court, the German Patent Court, the EPO and courts in the UK, France, the Netherlands and Italy, Steffen tailors litigation strategies for both international companies and start-ups to offer the best results and use resources efficiently.

For his work Steffen can draw on a deep understanding of telecoms, life sciences and automotive industries. His comprehensive knowledge of patent litigation also helps Steffen to guide clients through the pitfalls of unfair competition litigation, the negotiation of licensing agreements and IP transactions. Steffen is also a sought after for his wealth of knowledge on the new Unitary Patent and Unified Patent Court. Steffen heads our Munich patent litigation group.

JUVE, the leading German directory for law firms, has been listing Steffen for many years as "highly recommended" for patent litigation proceedings. *IAM 1000, 2016* calls him an "UPC expert" and lawyer who "has asserted the integrity of patents all the way up to



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Languages

English
French
German

Practices

Intellectual Property
Patents
Trade Secrets and Confidential
Know-how
Trademarks and Brands

Industries

Automotive and Mobility

the European Court of Justice". *Wirtschaftswoche* listed him in 2017 as one of only 20 German lawyers for the "first league of patents in Germany".

Steffen also heads Hogan Lovells Citizenship activities for Continental Europe. He studied law in Regensburg (Germany) and Paris (France). He received a Master's degree from the University of Oxford (UK) in 1999 and a Ph.D. in the area of international procedural law in Germany in 2002.

Representative experience

Representing LGE in patent litigation proceedings in the telecommunication industry adverse to various NPEs.

Permanent advisor to Honeywell in patent litigation proceedings.

Representing Texas Instruments in high profile patent infringement and nullity proceedings against a patent licensing company relating to telecommunication standards.

Advising a major international automotive supplier in patent litigation (including preliminary injunction) proceedings against a competitor relating to brake systems.

Permanent advisor to a leading U.S. based pharmaceutical company regarding patent licensing and employee inventions.

Advising an international technology company re the acquisition/transfer of a patent portfolio including more than 2000 patent families.

Advising leading German mobile phone operator in patent litigation against non-practicing entity relating to UMTS standards; case went to German Federal Supreme Court.

Awards and rankings

Life Sciences and Health Care

TMT

Areas of focus

IP Licensing, Commercialization, and Technology Transfer

IP Litigation, Arbitration, and Alternative Dispute Resolution

IP Rights in Transactions

Post-Grant Proceedings

Strategic Counseling and Portfolio Development

Education and admissions

Education

Dr. iur., University of Regensburg, 2002

Second State Exam in Law, Bavaria, 2002

M.Jur., University of Oxford, 1999

First State Exam in Law, University of Regensburg, 1998

Memberships

German Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property (GRUR)

Friends of the Max-Planck Institute for Intellectual Property Law

Association of Experts on Intellectual Property (VPP)

- Intellectual Property: Patent Litigation, *Legal 500 EMEA*, 2018-2020
- Included for Patents law, *Edition Best Lawyers™ in Germany*, 2019, 2019
- Recommended lawyer for Patents, *JUVE handbook*, 2018/2019
- Intellectual Property: Patent Litigation, *Chambers Global*, 2018-2019
- Listed as Patent Star, *Managing Intellectual Property IP STARS*, 2018-2019
- Recommended lawyer for Patents, *WirtschaftsWoche*, 2018
- Recommended lawyer for Patents, *Legal 500 Germany*, 2019

Latest thinking and events

- Insights
 - U.S. + Germany patent update – October 2019 (English, 日本語, 한국어)
- Insights
 - Hogan Lovells' U.S. + Germany Patent Update – July 2019 (English, 日本語, 한국어)
- Awards and Rankings
 - Best Lawyers™ Germany 2020: 86 Recognized Lawyers, five of them Lawyers of the Year
- Insights
 - Hogan Lovells' Standard Essential Patent Update – May 2019
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - U.S. and German patent update – April 2019 *LimeGreen IP News*
- Insights
 - Hogan Lovells' U.S. + Germany Patent Update

Accolades

"Top league for patents in Germany"
Wirtschaftswoche, 2017

His inclusion in our ranking is based on very positive client feedback; client: 'He has collaborated very well with us and supported us in complex situations. His advice has been crucial in setting the course for an economic approach.'

Chambers Global, 2016

"Does not waste any time"

IAM Patent 1000, 2016

"Steffen Steininger predominantly handles patent infringement proceedings in the automotive, telecommunications and life sciences industries. His client base consists of various well-known international corporations."

Chambers Europe and Global,
2018
