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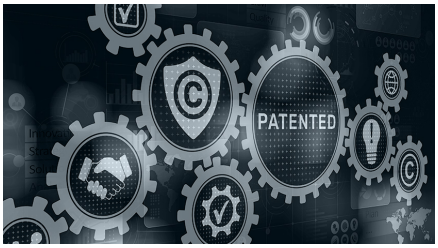

Intellectual Property

Musick Peeler offers its clients a comprehensive range of intellectual property services. These include strategic planning and counseling, as well as the litigation and prosecution of patents, trademarks and copyrights in the United States and around the globe (in conjunction with a network of qualified foreign counsel).

The Intellectual Property Group assists clients in identifying intellectual property assets and in formulating strategies to protect and leverage those assets. When intellectual property litigation or other disputes occur, the firm's attorneys have the skills, technical backgrounds and resources to protect their clients' interests while seeking a favorable and cost-effective resolution. Musick Peeler has extensive experience in all forms of dispute resolution, including trials and appeals in both federal and state courts, administrative proceedings, arbitrations and mediations. The firm also handles matters in front of the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board; the Patent Trial and Appeal Board; and post-grant proceedings in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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- Advice about proper copyright use
- Preparing and filing of copyright registration applications
- Advice about fair use of copyrighted materials
- Handle transactions involving copyrights, including licensing, copyright clearance, purchase and sale of copyrights
- Prosecution and defense of copyright infringement litigation

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- Prosecution and defense of patent infringement litigation
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- Licensing, purchase and sale of patents

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- Planning and implementation of foreign trademark protection
- Maintenance of trademark portfolios
- Policing of adverse use of trademarks on a world-wide basis
- Planning and implementation of anti-counterfeiting programs
- Licensing, purchase and sale of trademarks
- Administrative litigation involving trademark registration, including Trademark Trial and Appeal Board (TTAB) matters
- Infringement and counterfeiting litigation in federal and state courts

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