



Intellectual Property Litigation

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OVERVIEW

Adler Pollock & Sheehan's Intellectual Property Litigation Group represents the firm's clients in all aspects of intellectual property dispute resolution, from patent, trademark, trade secret, and copyright litigation to matters before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. AP&S has represented and continues to represent a broad range of entities, including individuals, startups, non-profit coalitions and Fortune 500 companies.

AP&S' intellectual property litigators have achieved outstanding results for their clients in proceedings throughout the United States, in both state and federal courts, including after jury and bench trials and on appeal. AP&S attorneys have represented clients in claims of trademark counterfeiting, trademark, service mark and trade dress infringement, dilution, cybersquatting, unfair competition, trade secret misappropriation, patent infringement, copyright infringement, false patent marking and unfair advertising, as well as in related matters such as Internet domain name disputes.

AP&S' intellectual property litigators team closely with other members of the firm, including those in its patent prosecution practice, to provide representation tailored to the needs of particular clients and particular engagements. Its teamwork enables the firm to represent its clients in complex intellectual property matters involving scientific or other complex issues, as well as disputes that involve related claims in contract, labor, unfair business practices and other areas.

Areas of Concentration

- Patent litigation
- Trademark litigation
- Trade secret litigation
- Copyright litigation

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Represented a preeminent designer goods manufacturer in federal court in connection with the use of counterfeit trademarks, leading to a multimillion-dollar settlement in favor of the client.

- Represented regional transportation authority on patent infringement claims, which settled promptly and on favorable terms.
- Represented a market-leading paper manufacturer in federal litigation in multiple jurisdictions based on alleged false patent marking, which resolved favorably after obtaining judgment as a matter of law in favor of AP&S' client.
- Represented a worldwide specialty chemical manufacturer on trade secret claims and related claims arising out of attempted billion-dollar merger deal, which settled on favorable terms after jury selection.
- Represented a Rhode Island manufacturing company in federal litigation against former employee and competitor on claims of copyright infringement and cybersquatting, which resolved at mediation on terms favorable to the client.
- Represented technology startup company on claims of theft of trade secrets by major Silicon Valley software company, including litigation in Rhode Island and California courts, which settled on advantageous terms for AP&S' client.
- Defending world's largest toy manufacturer in litigation involving claims asserting misappropriation of trade secrets and breach of contract after successfully obtaining summary judgment as to claim under the Federal Defend Trade Secrets Act, and claims of unjust enrichment, unfair competition, breach of implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing, and breach of implied in fact contract.

SEMINARS / PUBLICATIONS

Seminars

- Jeffrey K. Techentin, Intellectual Property Basics, Law Review CLE, January 2012.
- Jeffrey K. Techentin, Patents 101, Brown Forum for Enterprise Seminar, October 2010.