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Best Lawyers

Binal Patel, Richard Stockton, and Timothy Meece are recognized in the 2026 edition of The Best Lawyers in America®.

Alisa Abbott, Reilley Keane, Daniel Moon, and Christian Wolfgram are recognized in Best Lawyers in America: Ones to Watch®.

Best Lawyers - Best Law Firms

In the 2026 edition of U.S. News – Best Lawyers' "Best Law Firms," Banner Witcoff received a National Tier 2 ranking in intellectual property litigation, patent litigation, and patent law. The firm received Regional Tier 1 rankings in Chicago in intellectual property litigation, patent litigation, and patent law.

Chambers and Partners

The 2026 edition of Chambers and Partners named Banner Witcoff a top intellectual property law firm. Banner Witcoff received top rankings for patent prosecution in the District of Columbia and intellectual property law in Illinois. The guide also recognizes three Banner Witcoff attorneys. In Illinois, Marc Cooperman is ranked for his practice in intellectual property law. Mercedes Meyer, Ph.D., and Robert Katz received rankings for their patent prosecution work in Washington, D.C.

Crain's Chicago Business

Crain’s Chicago Business recognized Binal Patel and Katie Laatsch Fink as 2022 Notable Gen X Leaders in Accounting, Consulting and Law.

Anna King and Katie Laatsch Fink were named in the 2022 edition of Crain’s Chicago Business Notable Women in Law.

Intellectual Asset Management

Banner Witcoff is recognized in the 2026 IAM Patent 1000. Banner Witcoff is ranked as “highly recommended” in the prosecution category in the Washington, D.C. Metro area, and “recommended” in the prosecution category Nationally and in Illinois. The guide also ranks Banner Witcoff’s litigation practice.

The following Banner Witcoff attorneys are recognized in the guide as leading professionals in their practice area and jurisdiction:

- Laura Brutman (DC Recommended – prosecution)
- Marc Cooperman (Illinois Bronze – litigation)
- Azuka Dike (Illinois Bronze – litigation)
- John Hutchins (DC Bronze – litigation)
- John Iwanicki (Massachusetts Recommended)
- Robert Katz (DC Silver – litigation, Highly recommended – prosecution; **National:** Recommended – design patents)
- Timothy Meece (Illinois Silver – litigation)
- Frederic Meeker (DC Bronze – litigation, Recommended – prosecution)
- Mercedes Meyer, Ph.D. (DC Highly recommended – prosecution; **National:** Recommended, life sciences prosecution)
- Darrell Mottley (DC Recommended – prosecution; **National:** Recommended – design patents)
- Binal Patel (Illinois Bronze – litigation, Recommended – prosecution)

Attorneys Timothy C. Meece and Frederic M. Meeker are included in the 2025 edition of IAM Strategy 300: The World’s Leading IP Strategists and IAM Strategy 300 Global Leaders.

Robert S. Katz and Mercedes Meyer are named to the 2024 edition of the IAM Global Leaders.

Illinois Leading Lawyers

Several Chicago-based Banner Witcoff attorneys were selected as 2026 Leading Lawyers: Matthew P. Becker, Scott A. Burow, Azuka C. Dike, Louis DiSanto, Brian J. Emfinger, Eric Hamp, Katie Laatch Fink, Timothy C. Meece, Janice V. Mitrius, Binal J. Patel, Thomas K. Pratt, Robert H. Resis, Jason Shull, Richard Stockton, Pieter van Es, Bradley Van Pelt, and Victoria Webb.

LawDragon

The 2026 Lawdragon 500 Leading Global IP Lawyers Guide recognizes nine Banner Witcoff attorneys:

- Laura Brutman
- Louis DiSanto
- Katie Laatsch Fink
- John Hutchins
- Anna King
- Erik Maurer
- Fred Meeker
- Mercedes Meyer, Ph.D.
- Andy Mu

Law360

Banner Witcoff is featured in Law360‘s list of 400 largest U.S. law firms in 2026.

Managing Intellectual Property

Banner Witcoff’s trademark practice was ranked in the 2026 edition of “IP Stars,” a guide to the world’s top intellectual property firms and practitioners. “IP Stars” “highly recommended” the firm’s trademark practice in Illinois. Banner Witcoff is one of only seven firms to be “highly recommended”— the guide’s highest recognition — in the category.

Managing IP ranks Banner Witcoff’s patent practice in its 2026 edition of “IP Stars,” a guide to the world’s top intellectual property firms. The guide “highly recommended” the firm’s patent prosecution practice in Washington DC and Illinois. The guide also “recommended” the firm’s

patent dispute practice in both jurisdictions. Nationally, Banner Witcoff received a tier 3 ranking for patent prosecution, PTAB litigation, and trademark prosecution.

Banner Witcoff attorneys are recognized as 2026 Managing Intellectual Property “IP Stars”: Katie Laatsch Fink, John Iwanicki, Robert Katz, Sarah Kagan, Ph.D., Anna King, Timothy Meece, Frederic Meeker, Mercedes Meyer, Ph.D., Darrell Mottley, Richard Stockton, J. Pieter van Es.

Banner Witcoff attorneys are recognized as 2026 Managing Intellectual Property “Rising Stars”: Alisa Abbott.

LMG Life Sciences

Lisa M. Hemmendinger, John Iwanicki, and Mercedes Meyer are named in LMG Life Sciences’ 2025 Americas Firm & Lawyer Rankings.

National Law Journal

Banner Witcoff is included in the National Law Journal‘s 2026 NLJ 500, a survey of the 500 largest U.S.-centric law firms.

Super Lawyers

Illinois — Brian Apel, Marc S. Cooperman, Anthony Denis, Louis DiSanto, Jacob Earl, Erik S. Maurer, Timothy C. Meece, Janice V. Mitrius, Binal J. Patel, Jason S. Shull, Richard Stockton, J. Pieter van Es, and Christian Wolfgram were named 2026 “Illinois Super Lawyers” and “Illinois Rising Stars.”

Washington, D.C. — Robert F. Altherr, Jr., John R. Hutchins, Robert S. Katz, Christopher L. McKee, Frederic M. Meeker, Darrell G. Mottley, and Bradley C. Wright were named Washington, D.C., Super Lawyers” and “Rising Stars” in 2026.

The Legal 500

John P. Iwanicki is recognized in the Boston Elite — Life Sciences: Regulatory rankings of The Legal 500 United States. In the 2026 edition of The Legal 500, John is recognized as one of the leading life sciences regulatory practitioners.

Louis DiSanto, Katie Laatsch Fink, Anna King, and Binal Patel are recognized in Legal 500's Chicago Elite rankings for Intellectual Property.

Vault

Vault's 2027 rankings have named Banner Witcoff as a top firm on their list of "Best Intellectual Property Specialty Law Firms" in the United States. The firm is also ranked as a "Best Midsize Law Firm" is Chicago, Washington DC, and Boston.

The firm ranks as a "Top 150 Under 150" – a list of leading firms with 150 lawyers or fewer.

World Intellectual Property Review

The 2026 edition of WIPR Leaders, published by the World Intellectual Property Review (WIPR) recognizes the following attorneys:

- Laura Brutman – Patents
- Robert Katz – Patents
- Anna King – Trademarks
- Katie Laatsch Fink – Trademarks, Patents

The World Intellectual Property Review (WIPR) has recognized Banner Witcoff shareholders Katie Laatsch Fink and Anna King, along with the firm's trademark practice, in its 2025 edition of the USA Trademark Rankings. The national rankings identify firms and individuals capable of advising leading companies and associate law firms on their most significant trademark matters.

World Trademark Review 1000

Banner Witcoff received a silver ranking in the 2026 edition of World Trademark Review 1000 – The World's Leading Trademark Professionals.

In addition to the firm-wide recognition, the guide recognized four of the firm's attorneys, Louis DiSanto, Katie Laatsch Fink, Anna King, and Richard Stockton as leading practitioners for

trademark prosecution and strategy.