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Best Lawyers

Joseph J. Berghammer, Robert S. Katz, Timothy C. Meece, Jon O. Nelson, Binal J. Patel, Joseph M. Potenza, Charles W. Shifley and Bradley C. Wright are listed as leaders in intellectual property law in the 2022 edition of “The Best Lawyers in America.”

Chambers and Partners

The 2021 edition of Chambers and Partners named Banner Witcoff a top intellectual property law firm. Banner Witcoff received a top ranking for patent prosecution in the District of Columbia and a top ranking for intellectual property law in Illinois. Marc S. Cooperman also received a top ranking for his practice in intellectual property law.

Crain's Chicago Business

Crain's Chicago Business named Charles Miller and Binal J. Patel as 2019 Notable Gen X Leaders in Law.

Azuka C. Dike is featured in Crain's 2018 Chicago's Notable Minority Lawyers.

Intellectual Asset Management

Banner Witcoff is recognized in the 2021 IAM Patent 1000 for patent prosecution. It also ranks the firm for litigation and patent prosecution in Illinois. Additionally, the firm was ranked for litigation and recommended for patent prosecution in Washington, D.C. The following attorneys are recognized in the guide as leading professionals in their practice area and jurisdiction: [Binal Patel](#) and [Joseph J. Berghammer](#) for litigation and prosecution in Illinois; [Robert S. Katz](#) and [Frederick M. Meeker](#) for litigation and prosecution in Washington, D.C.; [Ross A. Dannenberg](#) and [Darrell G. Mottley](#) for prosecution in Washington, D.C.; [Timothy C. Meece](#) for litigation in Washington, D.C.; [John R. Hutchins](#) for litigation in Washington, D.C.; [John P. Iwanicki](#) for prosecution in Massachusetts. Robert and Darrell were also recognized for their design patent work.

Timothy C. Meece is named to the 2019 edition of the IAM 300 —The World's Leading IP Strategists.

Banner Witcoff is recognized in Intellectual Asset Management for preparing and prosecuting the highest quality U.S. patents for our clients in 2017. IAM collaborates with Ocean Tomo on its data and analysis.

Illinois Leading Lawyers

Several Chicago-based Banner Witcoff attorneys were selected as 2020 Leading Lawyers: Matthew P. Becker, Joseph J. Berghammer, Scott A. Burow, Marc S. Cooperman, Timothy C. Meece, Janice V. Mitrius, Binal J. Patel, Thomas K. Pratt, Robert H. Resis, Charles W. Shifley and Pieter van Es.

Eleven Chicago-based Banner Witcoff attorneys were selected as 2020 Emerging Lawyers: Katie L. Becker, Azuka C. Dike, Brian J. Emfinger, Katie Laatch Fink, Eric J. Hamp, Kevin C. Keenan, Anna L. King, Michael L. Krashin, Timothy J. Rechten, Bradley J. Van Pelt and Victoria R. McDonald Webb.

Law360

Banner Witcoff is featured in Law360's list of 400 largest U.S. law firms in 2021.

Law Bulletin Publishing Co.

Lisa M. Hemmendinger and John P. Iwanicki are featured as "Life Science Stars" in the 2018 edition of LMG Life Sciences.

Managing Intellectual Property

Banner Witcoff's trademark practice was ranked in the 2021 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 six firms to be "highly recommended"—the guide's highest recognition—in the category.

Craig Kronenthal, Chunhsi Andy Mu, Fred Meeker, and John Hutchins were named to MIP's list of "Top 50 Petitioner and Patent Owner Attorneys at the PTAB in PTAB Proceedings Filed in 2020."

Banner Witcoff was one of the most active law firms at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB) in 2020.

Fourteen Banner Witcoff attorneys are recognized as 2019 Managing Intellectual Property "IP Stars": Marc S. Cooperman, Ross A. Dannenberg, John P. Iwanicki, Sarah A. Kagan, Robert S. Katz, Christopher L. McKee, Timothy C. Meece, Frederic M. Meeker, Darrell G. Mottley, Joseph M. Potenza, Joseph M. Skerpon, Richard S. Stockton, J. Pieter van Es, and Bradley C. Wright.

Banner Witcoff received Managing Intellectual Property's 2019 "Impact Case of the Year" award for its work representing Converse in its trademark battle against entities selling knock-off versions of the company's iconic Chuck Taylor All Star sneaker.

Marquis Who's Who

Retired shareholder Sheldon W. Witcoff was honored with the 2019 Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award.

National Law Journal

Banner Witcoff is included in the National Law Journal's 2018 NLJ 500, a survey of the 500 largest U.S.-centric law firms.

Patexia

Banner Witcoff is ranked as one of the best performing and most active law firms in inter partes review (IPR) in Patexia's 2020 IPR Intelligence Report.

The report also recognizes Jordan Bodner, John R. Hutchins, Scott M. Kelly, Erik S. Maurer, Frederic M. Meeker, Charles Miller, Shambhavi Patel, Camille Sauer, Charles W. Shifley, Blair A. Silver, and Bradley C. Wright for being among the best performing and most active IPR attorneys in the nation.

Super Lawyers

Illinois — Matthew P. Becker, Joseph J. Berghammer, Liz Brodzinski, Marc S. Cooperman, Bennett Ingvoldstad, Kevin C. Keenan, Erik S. Maurer, Timothy C. Meece, Janice V. Mitrius, Jon O. Nelson, Binal J. Patel, Thomas K. Pratt, Kurt Riester, Charles W. Shifley, Jason S. Shull, and J. Pieter van Es were named 2021 "Illinois Super Lawyers" and "Illinois Rising Stars."

Washington, D.C. — John R. Hutchins, Rajit Kapur, Robert S. Katz, Scott M. Kelly, Frederic M. Meeker, Darrell G. Mottley, Shambhavi Patel, Joseph M. Potenza, Camille Sauer, Kirk A. Sigmon, Blair A. Silver and Bradley C. Wright were named Washington, D.C., Super Lawyers" and "Rising Stars" in 2021.

The Legal 500

In the 2019 edition of The Legal 500, Banner Witcoff is listed as a top firm in the "Patents: Prosecution" practice area, which includes reexamination and post-grant proceedings, and the "Trademarks: Non-Contentious" practice area that covers prosecution, portfolio management and licensing. Joseph J. Berghammer, Ross A. Dannenberg, John R. Hutchins, Robert S. Katz, Christopher L. McKee, Frederic M. Meeker, Binal J. Patel, and Joseph M. Potenza are highlighted for their patent practice. Richard S. Stockton is highlighted for his trademark practice.

U.S. News & World Report

Banner Witcoff received a National Tier 1 ranking in intellectual property litigation, patent litigation and patent law in the 2021 edition of U.S. News – Best Lawyers’ “Best Law Firms.”

Vault

Banner Witcoff is recognized in Vault’s Top 150 Under 150 in 2020.

Banner Witcoff is ranked No. 4 on Vault’s 2020 list of Best Intellectual Property Boutique Law Firms; No. 2 on its list of Best Midsize Law Firms for Firm Culture, No. 4 on the list of Best Midsize Law Firms for Career Outlook, and No. 5 for Best Midsize Firms for Technology & Innovation.

Washington Business Journal

Banner Witcoff is listed in the Washington Business Journal’s 2019 list of the largest firms in the Washington, D.C. area.

World Trademark Review 1000

Banner Witcoff is ranked as a top trademark firm in the 2021 edition of the World Trademark Review 1000.

Katie Laatsch Fink, Anna L. King, and Richard S. Stockton are also ranked as world’s leading trademark professionals in the 2021 edition of the annual guide.