

**FOUR SNELL & WILMER PARTNERS NAMED “IP STARS” BY  
MANAGING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY MAGAZINE**

**PHOENIX (July 22, 2013)** – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to announce that Phoenix partners [Charles Hauff](#), [Sid Leach](#), [David Rogers](#) and [Howard Sobelman](#) have been named “IP Stars” by *Managing Intellectual Property* magazine.

This inaugural listing of “IP Stars” highlights the country’s leading intellectual property attorneys and is based on survey feedback from peers and in-house counsel. Hauff, Leach, Rogers and Sobelman are listed in the 2013 edition of the *Managing Intellectual Property IP Handbook*, which is published annually to feature the leading intellectual property agencies and law firms worldwide.

**Charles Hauff** is co-chair of Snell & Wilmer’s intellectual property practice. His professional background includes intellectual property counseling, patent, trademark and copyright prosecution, related litigation and licensing. He has technical experience in, among other fields, the chemical, biotechnical, mechanical, electromechanical, computer software, medical products, acoustics and life sciences disciplines. Hauff has handled a variety of litigation matters for clients of varying sizes both in the United States and abroad.

**Sid Leach’s** practice includes intellectual property, patent and technology litigation, especially in the area of electronics and computer technology. He has successfully litigated patent cases, trade secret cases, trademark cases, proceedings before the International Trade Commission, Patent Office interference proceedings, and copyright cases, including ex parte seizures of infringing goods, as well as deceptive trade practices and contract cases. In 2009, Leach obtained one of the top ten jury verdicts in Arizona.

**David Rogers** practices patent, trademark, trade dress and unfair competition law, including litigation, preparing and prosecuting patent and trademark applications; handling *inter partes* trademark proceedings including oppositions, cancellations and internet domain name disputes; implementing anti-counterfeiting measures, including locating and stopping internet infringement; and preparing manufacturing, consulting and technology contracts. He is the coauthor of two books on intellectual property.

**Howard Sobelman** is co-chair of Snell & Wilmer’s intellectual property practice group. His practice is concentrated in intellectual property law, including patents, copyrights, trademarks, licensing and intellectual property, due diligence related to software, hardware, internet, business methods, financial planning, insurance products, medical products, mechanical, biotechnology, fiber optics, holography, and various other technologies. In addition, he has worked with a number of clients to develop creative global protection strategies.

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