



FIVE SNELL & WILMER ATTORNEYS RANKED IN THE MANAGING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY MAGAZINE "IP STARS" PUBLICATION

PHOENIX (May 30, 2017) – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to announce that for the third year in a row, the same five attorneys at the firm have been ranked in Managing Intellectual Property magazine's IP Stars rankings as "Patent Stars."

In addition, the Arizona offices of Snell & Wilmer were recognized as a "highly recommended firm" in the Intellectual Property practice area. The magazine states, "[Snell & Wilmer] receives especially strong praise with regard to patent and trademark prosecution and counseling on behalf of clients in the technology, telecommunications, energy, and pharmaceutical industries, to name a few."

The five attorneys ranked in the Managing Intellectual Property survey as "Patent Stars" are:

Charles F. Hauff Jr., 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. Chuck has handled a variety of litigation matters for clients of varying sizes both in the United States and abroad. In addition, he has worked with a number of technology clients to develop creative strategies for protecting globally innovative technology from exercise and other mechanical devices to cutting-edge medical products and pharmaceuticals.



Charles F. Hauff Jr.

Grant T. Langton, partner in the firm's intellectual property group and serves as Chair of the intellectual property group in Los Angeles and Co-Chair of the intellectual property group in California. With 25 years of experience handling patent prosecution, trademark prosecution, enforcement, licensing and IP counseling, Langton helps clients strategically develop, protect, maintain and exploit their intellectual property assets both domestically and abroad. He regularly counsels clients on matters related to patentability, design-around options and the infringement, validity and enforceability of patents. He has extensive experience prosecuting patent and trademark applications in the U.S. and worldwide, and has prepared licensing, consulting, employment,



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confidentiality, technology and product development agreements. In addition, Langton has assisted inhouse counsel, chief executive, financial and technology officers and other corporate leaders to build, preserve and monetize their intellectual property portfolios. Working closely with management, scientists and engineers he has acted as de-facto Chief Patent Counsel for several Fortune 500 companies. Throughout his career, Langton has prepared and prosecuted U.S. and foreign patent applications and handled large patent portfolios in a diverse range of technology areas including medical devices such as pacemakers, hearing prosthesis, and spinal implants, material science technologies involving ultra-hard material microstructures for subterranean drilling and specific material constructions as in a variety of mechanical and electrical devices, all aspects of automobile technology, semiconductor and LED technology, optics and optical technology, fluid handling technology, chemistry and polymer science such as industrial coating compositions and biocompatible polymers, adhesives technology, RFID technology and a wide variety of mechanical technologies.

<u>Sid Leach</u> is partner in the firm's Phoenix office. His practice includes intellectual property, patent and technology litigation, especially in the area of electronics and computer technology. He has litigated patent cases, trade secret cases, trademark cases, copyright cases, proceedings before the International Trade Commission, as well as trademark opposition proceedings and interference proceedings before the Patent and Trademark Office. In 2009, Leach obtained one of the top ten jury verdicts in Arizona in a trademark case. He has defended against multiple district court suits brought against his clients by patent trolls, and obtained favorable jury verdicts on claims of malicious prosecution and abuse of process asserted against the patent trolls.



Sid Leach

<u>David E. Rogers</u> is partner in the firm's Phoenix office. He is a registered patent attorney with over 20 years of experience. He focuses on patent, trademark, trade secret and unfair competition litigation; trademark and domain name disputes; patent and trademark preparation and prosecution; and preparing manufacturing and technology contracts. He has litigated or arbitrated numerous patent, trademark, unfair competition, copyright and contract cases for both plaintiffs and defendants, including: bringing and defending lawsuits for trademark infringement, dilution and unfair competition, defending lawsuits by patent trolls, the ex parte seizure of infringing



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goods, and representing patent owners in suits against competitors. He has shut down numerous internet infringers in the U.S. and internationally, and has prosecuted over 100 trademark oppositions and cancellations.

Howard I. Sobelman is co-chair of Snell & Wilmer's intellectual property practice group. His practice is concentrated in intellectual property law, including patents, copyrights, trademarks, trade secrets, licensing and due diligence related to aerospace, software, hardware, internet, business methods, solar tracking, financial services, 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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