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Not only is intellectual property (IP) among a company's most valuable assets, it is often critical to its success. Every business reliant on creativity and innovation must make asserting and defending IP interests part of its growth and development strategy. It is therefore imperative to have a team of skilled litigators that understands the particular industry, can readily comprehend the innovation and its underlying science, and can litigate successfully when a company's IP interests are threatened.

Stradley Ronon's IP litigation group offers the requisite combination of skill and experience.

Combining IP Knowledge with Litigation Skill

Our IP litigation team is comprised of former in-house counsel, engineers and scientists, talented litigators and lawyers with advanced technical degrees experienced in a wide variety of technologies, including:

- electrical, mechanical and chemical arts
- life sciences
- medical devices
- materials applications
- computer systems and software
- · business methods

The combination of knowledge and skills enables us to effectively represent our clients' interests in court, clearly explaining complex theories and technologies in readily understandable terms to judges and juries.

Members of our IP team are admitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office bar. Our attorneys have served as lead counsel or co-counsel in numerous cases, and team lawyers have been recognized as Best Lawyers in Intellectual Property and as the Intellectual Property "Lawyer of the Year" in the Philadelphia area, an honor only one lawyer in each specialty in each community receives. Most recently, Partner Keith R. Dutill was recognized by Best Lawyers as 2017 "Lawyer of the Year" for Intellectual Property Litigation in Philadelphia. In addition, The Legal *Intelligencer* recognized Stradley Ronon's litigation department as one of the top in Pennsylvania, noting that the firm is able to "successfully litigate cases across the country." Furthermore, Stradley Ronon maintains an office in Wilmington, Delaware, the location of the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware, a court with a long tradition as a reliable venue for IP litigation.

We have represented clients in major patent, trademark and copyright infringement and trade secret misappropriation cases. Well known for our commitment to and facility with alternative dispute resolution techniques, we are frequently called on to mediate or arbitrate some of the largest IP litigation matters in the nation.

Our Approach

Depending on the type of IP and issues involved, we pair experienced patent, trademark, copyright or trade secret attorneys with seasoned trial attorneys, joining our substantial IP knowledge with our extensive trial experience to provide clients with the best of both disciplines in the most sophisticated and challenging disputes.

We take a lean and focused approach, relying on skill and effective use of litigation-related software and hardware technology tools to manage litigation and control costs.

Providing Worldwide IP Support

Through our affiliation with Meritas, the world's largest association of commercial law firms, we have access to a network of national and foreign IP lawyers to assist with securing and enforcing global IP rights and protection, and we advise on local laws and practices in major markets throughout the world.

For more information on our Intellectual Property Litigation practice, visit www.stradley.com/iplitigation.

About Stradley Ronon

For more than 95 years, Stradley Ronon has helped private and public companies – from small businesses to Fortune 500 corporations – achieve their goals.

With nine offices and more than 200 attorneys, Stradley Ronon is proud to help companies manage their legal challenges and grow their businesses.

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