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# SURVEY 2010

2010 WORLD IP SURVEY RANKINGS

## Methodology at a glance

The IP survey consists of rankings of the leading firms practising intellectual property in each country, presented in tiers. The total number of firms listed in each jurisdiction varies according to the size of the market. The survey is not an exhaustive list of every firm in each jurisdiction; even firms listed in the lower tiers have been recommended by a number of practitioners and deserve congratulations on their inclusion.

The second and third parts of the survey, covering trade mark and copy-right work, will be published in the March and April issues.

### How the results are compiled

A team of researchers based in London, Hong Kong and New York contacted firms in more than 75 jurisdictions to ask them for information and feedback on the rankings. Client feedback was also considered. Based on this research, firms are ranked in tiers in each jurisdiction. In most jurisdictions, there are separate tables for prosecution and contentious work.

Prosecution work includes filing of patents and associated work in that jurisdiction, including filing for overseas clients. Contentious work includes all other legal work, such as enforcement and licensing. Firms that handle both prosecution and contentious work are eligible to appear in both tables.

The tiers reflect the perception of the leading firms in each market, with the top tier listing those firms regarded as having the strongest practices in each category. Within each tier, firms are listed alphabetically.

All firms included, in all tiers, will have received many recommendations and endorsements in order to be included in the rankings.

No one outside of *Managing IP* has seen the rankings before publication.

No firm can vote for its own inclusion, or recommend an associated or sister firm in another jurisdiction.

The rankings reflect the state of the market when the research was conducted, between September 2009 and January 2010.

*Managing IP* itself does not recommend or endorse any particular firms.

# UNITED STATES



## PATENT PROSECUTION - NATIONAL

### TIER 1

Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett & Dunner LLP

### FISH & RICHARDSON

Knobbe Martens Olson & Bear

### TIER 2

Fitzpatrick Cella Harper & Scinto

Foley & Lardner

Kilpatrick Stockton

Morrison & Foerster

Townsend and Townsend and Crew

### TIER 3

Banner & Witcoff

Blakely Sokoloff Taylor & Zafman

Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione

Darby & Darby

Dickstein Shapiro

Kenyon & Kenyon

McDermott Will & Emery

Merchant & Gould

Ropes & Gray

Sughrue Mion

### TIER 4

Birch Stewart Kolasch & Birch

DLA Piper

Fulbright & Jaworski

Jones Day

Nixon & Vanderhye

Oblon Spivak McClelland Maier & Neustadt

Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman

### TIER 5

Baker Botts

Drinker Biddle

Husch Blackwell Sanders

Leydig Voit & Mayer

McDonnell Boehnen Hulbert & Berghoff

Oliiff & Berridge

Proskauer Rose

Sheridan Ross

Sterne Kessler Goldstein & Fox

WilmerHale

### TIER 6

Ballard Spahr Andrews & Ingersoll

Greenberg Traurig

Ladas & Parry

Lott & Friedland

White & Case

## PATENT PROSECUTION - REGIONAL

### MIDWEST

#### TIER 1

Banner & Witcoff

### FISH & RICHARDSON

Jones Day

#### TIER 2

Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione

Foley & Lardner

Leydig Voit & Mayer

McDermott Will & Emery

Merchant & Gould

Husch Blackwell Sanders

#### TIER 3

Drinker Biddle

Faegre & Benson

Ladas & Parry

McDonnell Boehnen Hulbert & Berghoff

Schwegman Lundberg & Woessner

### WEST

#### TIER 1

### FISH & RICHARDSON

Knobbe Martens Olson & Bear

#### TIER 2

Townsend and Townsend and Crew

Morrison & Foerster

#### TIER 3

Blakely Sokoloff Taylor & Zafman

DLA Piper

## PATENT CONTENTIOUS - REGIONAL

### SOUTH

#### TIER 1

Baker Botts

### FISH & RICHARDSON

Howrey

#### TIER 2

Alston & Bird

Greenberg Traurig

Kilpatrick Stockton

King & Spalding

McKool Smith

## BIO LIFE SCIENCES

### TIER 1

### FISH & RICHARDSON

Fitzpatrick Cella Harper & Scinto

### TIER 2

Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett & Dunner LLP

Jones Day

Howrey

Kenyon & Kenyon

Knobbe Martens Olson & Bear

McDermott Will & Emery

Morrison & Foerster

Ropes & Gray

Townsend and Townsend and Crew

WilmerHale

### TIER 3

Choate Hall & Stewart

Foley & Lardner

Kaye Scholer

Kilpatrick Stockton

Marshall Gerstein & Borun

Sidley Austin

Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal

Sterne Kessler Goldstein & Fox

### TIER 4

Alston & Bird

Baker Botts

Covington & Burling

Cooley Godward Kronish

Goodwin Procter

King & Spalding

Nixon Peabody

## ITC

### TIER 1

Adduci Mastriani & Schaumberg

Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett & Dunner LLP

### FISH & RICHARDSON

Howrey

Kirkland & Ellis

WilmerHale

### TIER 2

Covington & Burling

Kenyon & Kenyon

Miller & Chevalier

Morrison & Foerster

Orrick Herrington & Sutcliffe

Weil Gotshal & Manges

### TIER 3

Foley & Lardner

Gibson Dunn & Crutcher

Jones Day

King & Spalding

McDermott Will & Emery

Step toe & Johnson

Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati

### TIER 4

Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld

Baker Botts

Bingham McCutchen

Hogan & Hartson