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## Overview

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### About Herbert

Herbert Kunz, Ph.D., is a principal in the Munich office of Fish & Richardson P.C. Dr. Kunz is a European and German patent attorney with a particular focus in mechanics, electronics, software, and medical devices. In addition, Dr. Kunz is a qualified European trademark and design attorney, and also represents clients at the German Patent and Trademark Office, the German Patent Court, the European Patent Office (EPO), and the European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO).

Dr. Kunz has extensive experience helping clients with intellectual property issues such as patent drafting as well as prosecution, and represents startup inventors to large global corporations. He also frequently assists with patent opposition and patent litigation matters at the EPO, as well as the German Civil Courts, and is qualified to represent clients at the Federal Supreme Court in nullity proceedings.

Prior to joining Fish, Dr. Kunz was a partner in the intellectual property group at Olswang, after having merged with his boutique IP firm, Dr. Kunz & Kollegen. Dr. Kunz qualified as a German patent attorney in 1997, a European patent attorney in 1999, and in 2001 was one of the first German attorneys to combine his patent experience with his legal expertise to provide an integrated IP service to his clients. He has also been appointed as an honorary judge of the Social Court (Munich).

## Focus Areas

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## Services

- IP Licensing, Transactions, and Agreements
- Patent
- Trademark
- Opinions and Strategic Counseling
- Patent Portfolio Management
- Patent Prosecution
- Unitary Patent and Unified Patent Court

## Industries

- Electrical and Computer Technology
- Manufacturing
- Medical Devices
- Software

## Education

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Ph.D., Physics, University of Berlin (1991)

M.S., Physics, Biophysics , University of Hamburg

M.S., Physics , University of Cambridge

B.S., Physics, Oceanology , University of Hamburg

## Insights

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### Publications

“What You Need to Know about Patents in Europe,” Interview by *Metropolitan Corporate Counsel* (June 2017).

# Recognition

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Dr. Kunz was awarded Electronic Patents Lawyer of the Year in Germany by 2017 Corporate INTL Global Awards.

## Memberships & Affiliations

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AIPPI, FICPI, Cambridge Union Society (UK), Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft

## Languages

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- English
- German