

SERVICES

Intellectual Property

The Butzel Intellectual Property Practice Department collectively believes that to best serve our clients, first and foremost, it is important to gain a full understanding of their business objectives. Doing so enables us to determine the best approach to empower our clients to reach their goals. We do that by providing efficient legal representation, creative problem-solving solutions, and a superior level of service our clients can depend on.

Knowing that the right strategy for the right situation is paramount, we help our clients prepare for and navigate the intellectual property challenges they may face by bringing our experience and critical legal and business tools to the task. For a product launch, this may mean developing a global patent, bringing a trademark portfolio to brand, and positioning the new product. For software developers, it may mean registering copyrights and navigating the complex world of open source issues.

The Butzel Intellectual Property Practice Department handles transactional matters to avoid litigation and mitigate risk from intellectual property due diligence for mergers and acquisitions to joint development agreements, cross-licenses, and supply agreements.

We also handle important intellectual property litigation with our clients' goals and endgame in mind. We represent our clients in the federal courts and contested proceedings in the Patent and Trademark Office, while safeguarding trade secrets and enforcing trade secret rights against misappropriators.

Simply put, this Practice Department strives for seamless integration with our clients, whatever their industry, from serving our clients in developing high tech software for connected cars to developing hardware for aerospace and defense vehicles and bringing potentially life-changing medical devices to market.

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