



Intellectual Property

Hinshaw's intellectual property attorneys represent companies across a wide range of industries with transactional and litigation matters involving copyright, patent, trademark, and trade secret matters. We also help businesses with protective activities, such as developing electronic document management solutions. This assistance includes efforts concerning e-discovery rules.

Often, intellectual property issues arise in a pre-litigation context with the sending or receipt of a cease and desist letter. Our attorneys routinely advise clients and communicate with the opposing party on methods of resolution short of litigation. We work closely with clients to avoid litigation by helping them: identify key marks and materials for registration; review matters relating to the development, distribution, ownership and use of technology; and prepare confidentiality, licensing, employment, and insurance agreements involving intellectual property issues.

Our intellectual property attorneys are also skilled and experienced litigators. So, where litigation is unavoidable, we provide skilled legal representation. Among many other types of cases, we:

- litigate patent infringement, trademark and dilution, and copyright infringement disputes;
- represent clients in unfair competition, trade secret, false advertising, and right of publicity cases; and
- counsel clients in computer and internet law cases involving, for example, cybersquatting and domain names.

Hinshaw is also ideally situated to handle the insurance challenges that are often raised by intellectual property claims. In doing so, our intellectual property attorneys work alongside lawyers in the firm who collectively are familiar with nearly every type of insurance matter. We provide the experienced counsel necessary to develop effective, practical solutions. Among many other activities, we routinely: litigate declaratory judgments involving insurance coverage for intellectual property claims; and review proposed insurance policies and programs regarding whether they provide the sought coverage for potential claims.

Finally, our intellectual property attorneys are active participants in a number of intellectual property organizations, including the American Bar Association Intellectual Property Section, the American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA), the Defense Research Institute's (DRI) Intellectual Property Special Litigation Group, the International Trademark Association (INTA), and the Intellectual Property Law Association of Chicago. We also regularly author articles and present on cutting edge topics involving intellectual property law.

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November 16, 2023

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[101 Hinshaw Lawyers Recognized in 2024 Editions of Best Lawyers in America and Ones to Watch](#)
August 17, 2023

[Hinshaw Adds Experienced Insurance Partner in New York](#)
August 18, 2021

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December 9, 2020

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August 31, 2020

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June 10, 2019

[David Levitt Publishes Article in IP Watchdog Discussing a Recent Court Decision Involving Iconic Michael Jordan "Jumpman" Logo](#)
March 28, 2018

[David Levitt Appointed Chair of DRI's Third-Party Funding Committee](#)
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October 19, 2017

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August 28, 2017

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August 22, 2017

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[David Levitt Discusses Response Strategies for Businesses Accused of Using Unauthorized Software](#)

July 10, 2017

[Hinshaw Attorney David Levitt Honored with Distinguished Member Award by Illinois Association of Defense Trial Counsel](#)

July 6, 2017

[David Levitt Argues a Paradigm Shift is Underway at the Intersection of Electronic Medical Records and E-Discovery](#)

May 2, 2017

[Hinshaw Lawyers Author Article on Trump Administration's Impact on IP Protection](#)

February 8, 2017

[James Ryndak Discusses Significance of U.S. Supreme Court Decision Addressing Patent Damages](#)

June 13, 2016

[Jane Schlicht Quoted in Article Discussing Lawsuit Filed Under New Defend Trade Secrets Act](#)

May 18, 2016

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May 12, 2016

[Patrick Patras Discusses Benefits to IP Owners of Patents Found Invalid But Revived by a Settlement](#)

January 13, 2016

[David H. Levitt Honored as Immediate Past President of Illinois Association of Defense Trial Counsel](#)

June 27, 2015

[David Levitt Quoted in Chicago Lawyer Articles Discussing Pro-Plaintiff Aspects of Illinois Civil Procedure and the Illinois Prompt-Payment Law](#)

October 1, 2014

[David Levitt Featured in Chicago Daily Law Bulletin Article](#)

July 2, 2014

[Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP Adds Comprehensive Patent Prosecution and Intellectual Property Practice from Ryndak & Suri LLP](#)

January 14, 2014

[Kourtney Mulcahy and Jane Schlicht Author Chapter in "Managing Intellectual Property Issues in Cyberspace"](#)

July 10, 2012

[Patrick Patras Quoted by Wired.com on Google's Ongoing Android Patent Litigation](#)

December 22, 2011

[Milwaukee Lawyer Jane C. Schlicht Joins the Intellectual Property Group of Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP](#)

October 5, 2011

[Patrick Patras Interviewed by Chicago Daily Law Bulletin on Google's Bid for Motorola](#)

August 26, 2011

Events

[Jane Schlicht, Michael Weis, and Connie Mayer to Present in "Drafting More Effective Contracts" WISBAR Seminar](#)

January 14, 2022

[Hinshaw Attorneys to Discuss IP Protections at State Bar of Wisconsin Conference](#)

January 12, 2021

Virtual Event



[David Levitt and Meg Nash to Participate in DRI's Cannabis Law Seminar](#)

May 15, 2019

Renaissance Hotel | Washington DC

[David Levitt to Present on Third-Party Litigation Funding at DRI IP Litigation Seminar](#)

May 10, 2019

Austin, Texas

[Hinshaw's Jane Schlicht to Moderate Seminar on Drafting Complex Commercial Contracts](#)

January 10, 2019

[Cassidy Chivers to Discuss "Ethical Issues in Licensing" in PLI Legal Education Course](#)

December 5, 2018

Webinar

[Aviation Lawyer Russ Klingaman to Present at Experimental Aircraft Association](#)

July 28, 2018

Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) AirVenture | Oshkosh, Wisconsin

[Aviation Lawyer Russ Klingaman to Present at the Lawyer-Pilots Bar Association Convention](#)

July 21, 2018

LPBA Summer 2018 Convention | South Lake Tahoe, California

[Website Law: What Every Organization Needs to Know About Ownership, Public Accessibility, Liability and More](#)

June 5, 2018

Webinar

[What Business and Technology Professionals Need to Know about Intellectual Property](#)

January 24, 2018

Hinshaw's Rockford Office

[David Levitt to Present on IP Implications of Marijuana Legalization](#)

May 12, 2017

Gleacher Center — 450 N Cityfront Plaza Dr, Chicago, IL 60611

[Roger Masson to Present on Intellectual Property and Advertising for Brewpubs, Breweries and Distilleries](#)

March 21, 2017

Live Seminar

[David Levitt to Present on Ways Businesses Can Protect Against Claims of Possessing Unauthorized Software](#)

October 17, 2016

[Jane Schlicht and Russell Klingaman to Participate in Contract Drafting in Wisconsin Seminar](#)

January 15, 2016

State Bar Center, 5302 Eastpark Blvd., Madison Wisconsin

[Jane Schlicht to Present on Copyright Registration of Collective Works](#)

May 7, 2015

[Alan Kaufman, Russell Klingaman, Roger Masson and Jane Schlicht to Present at NBI Advanced Intellectual Property Law Program](#)

December 1, 2014

[Ambrose McCall and Mark Suri to Present on New Business Employee Issues on Social Media and Computer Fraud at the 2014 IESBGA Conference](#)

May 29, 2014

Normal, Illinois



Hinshaw Attorneys to Present on Joint Development Agreements and Protecting Intellectual Property

May 15, 2014

National (Webinar)

Jane Schlicht to Present on Non-Competition and Other Restrictive Clauses in Wisconsin at the Milwaukee Bar Association

March 10, 2014

Jane Schlicht to Present on Contract Drafting Issues in Wisconsin at State Bar of Wisconsin CLE Seminar

January 17, 2014

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