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BIOGRAPHY

Donna A. Tobin focuses her practice on intellectual property and has been providing large and small clients in various industries, including the health and wellness, financial services and food and beverage industries with trademark litigation, prosecution, and counseling services for over thirty-five years. Intellectual property is at the forefront of new technologies and industries and Ms. Tobin continually adapts and expands her practice to address them, such as cannabis and non-fungible tokens ("NFTs"). In 2017 Donna was appointed by the U.S. Secretary of Commerce to serve a three-year term on the Trademark Public Advisory Committee ("TPAC") of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office including as a member of the Office of Policy and International Affairs subcommittee. She is also the editor of *Trademarks Throughout The World*, a Thompson Reuters publication.

Client Experience

- Private equity funds/family offices with portfolios of food companies
- Cheese and ice cream manufacturers, retailers, and distributors
- Ethnic food manufacturers and distributors
- Furniture companies
- Fabric companies
- Cannabis companies
- Jewelry, fabric, and furniture designers
- Founder and lead singer of a hardcore band

HONORS

New York Super Lawyers, Intellectual Property, 2012, 2020 - Present

World Trademark Review (WTR) 1000: The World's Leading Trademark Professionals

- Prosecution and Strategy, 2021-2023
- Enforcement and Litigation and Infringement, 2021

World Intellectual Property Review (WIPR), 2021-Present

Best Lawyers in America, 2021

EuroMoney Women in Business Law Expert Guide, 2021

EDUCATION

J.D., Boston University School of Law, 1985

B.S., Cornell University, 1982

ADMISSIONS

New York State Courts
U. S. District Courts for the Southern, Western and Eastern Districts of New York
U.S. District Court for the Western District of Michigan
Second Circuit Court of Appeals
Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals
Federal Circuit Court of Appeals

- Start-up eyewear company
- Start-up sock company
- Menswear company
- Airlines
- Film production companies

COMMUNITY & PROFESSIONAL

- Fédération Internationale Des Conseils En Propriété Intellectuelle (FICPI), Member
- International Trademark Association (INTA), Committee Member
- Cornell University Adult University, Advisory Board Member
- New York City Bar Association Member - Trademarks Subcommittee

PRACTICE FOCUS

- Cheese and Dairy
- Wine and Beverages
- Textiles and Furniture
- Eyewear, Clothing, and Socks
- Financial Institutions
- Banks
- Cannabis

NEWS

RCCB's Intellectual Property Group is Once Again Recognized by WTR1000 for Excellence
World Trademark Review, February 15, 2024

In the Representation of Mitchel Hyman and David Frey who are Embattled Over Control of Ramones Productions Inc., Partner Donna Tobin was Quoted in the New York Post.
Media Mention, February 15, 2024

Partner Donna Tobin Secures Win for the George Nelson Family as a Federal Judge Denies Herman Miller Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss the Lawsuit Concerning Designer George Nelson's Iconic Bubble Lamp
Media Mention, *Nelson et al. v. MillerKnoll Inc.*, *Law360*, February 5, 2024

Best Lawyers in America Recognizes Six Practices in New York and Pennsylvania in its "Best Law Firms" Report for 2024

Firm News, *Best Lawyers®*, November 2, 2023

RCCB Partners Tobin, Hirschfield, and Skapof Recognized for Excellence in 2023 New York Metro Super Lawyers List

Firm News, *Super Lawyers 2023*, September 26, 2023

PUBLICATIONS

RCCB's Intellectual Property Group Serves as Faculty for 4 Sessions on IP and Technology Law at the PBI Technology Institute 2023

Speaking Engagement, *Pennsylvania Bar Institute 2023*, March 27, 2023

2022 Litigation Year In Review

Publication, *RCCB Litigation Alert*, March 2, 2023