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Michelle Ciotola Recognized as a Distinguished Member of the Top Attorneys of North America

Hartford, Conn. – [Michelle Ciotola](#), an attorney in [Cantor Colburn LLP](#)'s Trademark & Copyright Department, was selected for inclusion in the forthcoming Top Attorneys of North America edition of [The Heritage Registry of Who's Who](#), a biographical publication that selects and distinguishes leading professionals throughout North America who have attained a recognizable degree of success in their field of endeavor and thereby contribute to the growth of their industry and profession. Ms. Ciotola has been practicing law for nine years.



Michelle Ciotola, Cantor Colburn LLP

Ms. Ciotola, who was promoted to Counsel at the firm this January, concentrates her practice on counseling, protecting and enforcing trademark, trade dress, copyright, and related intellectual property rights, as well as counseling clients in unfair competition, Internet, advertising, and promotions law. She assists clients in the development and exploitation of their trademark portfolios, including clearance of marks; prosecution of trademark applications before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; and identifying important overseas jurisdiction and filing or coordinating with local counsel for protection and enforcement of marks in those jurisdictions. Ms. Ciotola develops strategies for the enforcement of her clients' intellectual property rights, including preparing demand letters, negotiating settlement agreements, handling opposition and cancellation actions before the U.S. Trademark

Trial and Appeal Board, and coordinating and overseeing litigation with local counsel around the world. She also develops strategies for enforcement of her clients' intellectual property rights online, including handling Uniform Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy proceedings. Ms. Ciotola files and prosecutes applications for copyright registration with the U.S. Copyright Office and advises clients on copyright law. She represents clients in trademark due diligence and she drafts and negotiates a wide range of intellectual property agreements, including assignments, licenses, and trademark consent and coexistence agreements.

Ms. Ciotola is active in the trademark professional associations the International Trademark Association (INTA) and MARQUES. She received an undergraduate degree in political science and history from the University of Connecticut and a JD from The University of New Hampshire School of Law (formerly known as the Franklin Pierce Law Center) with a concentration in Intellectual Property. She is admitted to practice in the states of Connecticut and New York.



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