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Law360 Ranks Largest IP Practices

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Law360, New York (December 04, 2009) -- The following is a list of the 100 largest IP practices in the United States, ranked by the number of lawyers at the firm:

1. Finnegan Henderson LLP, 398
2. Fish & Richardson, 389
3. Morrison & Foerster LLP, 325
4. Kirkland & Ellis LLP, 300
5. Howrey LLP, 285
6. Knobbe Martens, 280
7. Jones Day, 232
8. Foley & Lardner LLP, 227
9. Goodwin Procter, 199
10. Townsend and Townsend and Crew LLP, 196
11. K&L Gates LLP, 195
12. McDermott Will & Emery LLP, 194
13. Greenberg Traurig LLP, 192
14. Fitzpatrick Cella, 180
15. Cooley Godward Kronish LLP, 177

16. Wilson Sonsini PC, 175
17. Brinks Hofer, 174
18. Perkins Coie LLP, 172
19. Kenyon & Kenyon LLP, 170
20. Alston & Bird LLP, 165
21. Covington & Burling, 145
21. Baker Botts LLP, 138
22. WilmerHale LLP, 137
23. Latham & Watkins, 134
24. Sidley Austin LLP, 128
25. Morgan Lewis LLP, 126
26. Kilpatrick Stockton, 125
27. Harness, Dickey & Pierce PLC, 124
27. Orrick Herrington, 124
29. Nixon Peabody LLP, 123
30. Weil Gotshal LLP, 121
31. Gibson Dunn LLP, 119
32. Proskauer Rose, 117
33. Hogan & Hartson, 112
34. Winston & Strawn, 106
35. Sughrue Mion PLLC, 103
36. Haynes and Boone, LLP, 102
37. Robins Kaplan, 101
38. DLA Piper, 100
39. Fulbright & Jaworski LLP, 99

- 40. McAndrews Held & Malloy Ltd., 95
- 41. Bingham McCutchen LLP, 96
- 41. King & Spalding, 96
- 43. Merchant & Gould PC, 95
- 44. Ropes & Gray, 93
- 45. Husch Blackwell LLP, 92
- 45. Oblon Spivak, 92
- 45. Woodcock Washburn LLP, 92
- 48. Banner and Witcoff Ltd., 91
- 49. Duane Morris LLP, 88
- 50. Reed Smith LLP, 87
- 51. Connolly Bove Lodge & Hutz LLP, 86
- 52. Arent Fox, 84
- 53. Sterne Kessler, 83
- 54. Barnes & Thornburg LLP, 81
- 55. Dickstein Shapiro LLP, 80
- 56. Arnold & Porter, 79
- 57. Sheppard Mullin, 78
- 58. Edwards Angell LLP, 77
- 58. Locke Lord LLP, 77
- 60. Paul Hastings, 76
- 61. Cantor Colburn, 75
- 61. Kaye Scholer, 75
- 63. Bryan Cave LLP, 74
- 64. Womble Carlyle, 73

65. Davis Wright LLP, 71

65. Dorsey & Whitney, 71

65. Irell & Manella, 71

65. Mintz Levin PC, 71

69. Fenwick & West, 69

70. Hunton & Williams LLP, 68

70. Squire Sanders, 68

72. Drinker Biddle LLP, 67

73. Holland & Knight, 65

73. McGuireWoods, 65

75. O'Melveny & Myers, 64

75. Pepper Hamilton, 64

77. Baker & Hostetler LLP, 62

77. Buchanan Ingersoll PC, 62

77. Faegre & Benson LLP, 62

80. Dechert LLP, 61

80. Pillsbury Winthrop LLP, 61

80. Quarles & Brady, 61

83. Jenner & Block, 60

84. Michael Best & Friedrich, 59

85. Dewey & LeBoeuf, 58

85. Holland & Hart LLP, 58

85. Shook Hardy, 58

88. Ballard Spahr, 56

88. Skadden Arps LLP, 56

- 90. Akin Gump LLP, 55
- 90. Patterson Belknap LLP, 55
- 89. Steptoe & Johnson LLP, 55
- 90. Venable LLP, 55
- 94. Troutman Sanders LLP, 53
- 95. Katten Muchin LLP, 52
- 96. Baker & McKenzie, 50
- 96. McCarter & English, LLP, 50
- 98. Blank Rome LLP, 48
- 98. Crowell & Moring LLP, 48
- 100. Loeb & Loeb, 45

Correction: In the original version of this article, Cooley Godward Kronish LLP was not included in the list; that firm is actually placed at number 15. Banner and Witcoff Ltd. was not included in this original list; that firm is actually placed at number 47. Woodcock Washburn LLP was not included in this original list; that firm is actually placed at number 44. Harness, Dickey & Pierce PLC was not included in this original list; that firm is actually placed at number 27. Cantor Colburn was not included in this original list; that firm is actually placed at number 75. Connolly Bove Lodge & Hutz LLP was not included in this original list; that firm is actually placed at number 50. K&L Gates LLP was originally listed at number 9; that firm is actually placed at number 11. McAndrews Held & Malloy Ltd. was not originally included in this list; that firm actually placed at number 40. Jackson Walker LLP, Lathrop & Gage LLP, Armstrong Teasdale LLP, Bracewell & Giuliani LLP, Fox Rothschild and Thompson Coburn LLP are no longer ranked in the top 100.

Note:

Data for the following firms was unavailable: Cleary Gottlieb LLP, Cahill Gordon LLP, Davis & Gilbert LLP, Clifford Chance, Cravath Swaine LLP, Debevoise & Plimpton LLP and Kasowitz Benson LLP.

Methodology:

In September and October 2009, Law360 surveyed law firms with 100 or more lawyers and select boutique firms to find the number of lawyers working for the firm in the United States and in the following practice areas: Bankruptcy, Competition, Employment, Energy, Environmental, Insurance, Intellectual Property, Product Liability and Securities.

Respondents were asked to count only full-time lawyers who work in the United States and who devote at least 50 percent of their time to the listed practice area. For lawyers who straddle multiple areas, respondents were asked to provide an estimated headcount based on the percentage of time dedicated to

each listed area. Information for nonresponding firms was researched using the firms' Web sites and the information the firms submitted to Martindale.

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