

Attorneys Cantor, Colburn, Rye, Krechevsky, and Pelletier Recognized U.S. News - Best Lawyers®

Hartford, Conn. – Five Cantor Colburn attorneys were selected by their peers for recognition in *The Best Lawyers in America (2020 Edition)*. Co-Managing Partners [Michael A. Cantor](#) and [Philmore H. Colburn II](#), Partner and Litigation Department Co-Chair [Michael J. Rye](#), Partner and Trademark and Copyright Department Chair [Curtis Krechevsky](#) have been recognized for several years. Of Counsel [George A. Pelletier, Jr.](#) is joining their ranks for the first time.

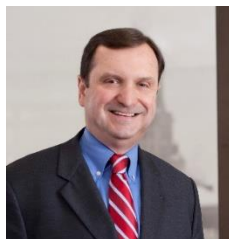
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About the Attorneys



Michael A. Cantor

For more than 30 years, Mr. Cantor's unwavering commitment to delivering the highest level of IP legal services at exceptionally competitive rates has fueled Cantor Colburn's strategic expansion from a ten-lawyer firm in the 1990s into one of the nation's largest IP law firms today. Mr. Cantor speaks frequently on IP, the law, innovation and economic growth. He has been teaching Patent Law and Procedure at University of Connecticut School of Law as an Adjunct Professor for more than 20 years.



Philmore H. Colburn II

Mr. Colburn has transformed Cantor Colburn into one of the nation's leading intellectual property law firms. His counsel to Fortune 50 multinationals, as well as smaller companies and universities, is informed both by unique technical insights gained from his years of professional experience as a design engineer and by strategic perspectives derived from more than 25 years' practice as an IP attorney. A frequent speaker on IP issues, Mr. Colburn was an adjunct professor of Patent Law and Copyright Law at Western New England University School of Law.



Michael J. Rye

Mr. Rye is a trial lawyer of more than 20 years' experience whose varied intellectual property litigation practice runs the gamut of litigation from injunction hearings through appeal for domestic and international clients in a wide variety of industries, which often involve complex technologies. Mr. Rye's practice emphasizes patent litigation, but often involves trademark, trade dress, copyright, trade secrets, unfair competition, false advertising, licensing, and other related commercial and business litigation. Mr. Rye has acted as lead litigation counsel in courts throughout the United States, including multi-district litigation and numerous Federal District courts.



Curtis Krechevsky

Mr. Krechevsky's practice focuses on trademark, unfair competition, copyright, rights of publicity and privacy, Internet, advertising, marketing, promotions, licensing and trade secrets law. With more than 30 years of law-firm and in-house experience, handling both national and international matters, Mr. Krechevsky provides a business-oriented, pragmatic, innovative, and cost-sensitive approach in advising and representing clients of all sizes and types of industries. He earned his J.D. *cum laude* from Harvard Law School.



George A. Pelletier, Jr.

Mr. Pelletier brings more than 15 years' experience in the trademark and copyright fields with a focus on counseling, protecting and enforcing trademark, trade dress, copyright, trade secret, and related intellectual property rights, domestically and overseas. Mr. Pelletier was an Adjunct Professor at Western New England University School of Law, teaching Trademarks and Unfair Competition, and has lectured at the University of Connecticut School of Law.

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- [#3 for U.S. Utility Patents, *IP Law360*, 2019](#)
- [#4 for U.S. Design Patent, *Ant-like Persistence*, 2019](#)
- [#8 for U.S. Trademark Registrations, *Ant-like Persistence*, 2019](#)
- [#2 Best Alice Allowance Rate, *Juristat*, 2019](#)
- [Top 100 Law Firms for Minority Attorneys, *IP Law360*, 2016](#)

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