



Insights: News

Kilpatrick's Intellectual Property Department Continues to Earn National and International Acclaim

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ATLANTA (September 5) — Kilpatrick once again announces that the Firm's Intellectual Property (IP) Department has received widespread recognition from the world's most prestigious legal rankings. Kilpatrick is one of the select firms in the country ranked at the highest level in top IP rankings.

Kilpatrick's top tier IP accolades from the past 12 months include:

The Best Lawyers in America®

Kilpatrick was recognized as the **Top-Listed Firm** in the nation for the total number of attorneys listed for **Trademark Law** by *Best Lawyers* in its 2026 edition. This is the 13th consecutive year the Firm has earned this prestigious recognition. In total, the Firm has 21 attorneys recognized for Trademark Law and 38 attorneys recognized for Litigation – Intellectual Property.

Three of the Firm's intellectual property attorneys (**Bill Bryner, Jennifer Giordano-Coltart, and Ted Davis Jr.**) were named "**Lawyer of the Year**" for their practice specialty in their geographic region.

Best Lawyers "Best Law Firms"®

Kilpatrick was named "**Law Firm of the Year**" for **Trademark Law** in the 2025 edition of *Best Lawyers "Best Law Firms."* The designation is based on law firms' overall performance in a given practice area and represents a significant showing in the research process. Only one firm is recognized as "Law Firm of the Year" in a given practice area each year. The Firm's **National Tier 1** rankings include, **Copyright Law, Litigation – Intellectual Property, Litigation – Patent, Patent Law, and Trademark Law.**

Chambers and Partners USA

Kilpatrick was ranked **Band 1** for **Intellectual Property: Trademark, Copyright & Trade Secrets (USA Nationwide)** in the 2025 edition of *Chambers and Partners USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business.* The Firm also received **Band 1** rankings for IP in Colorado, Georgia, and North Carolina.

IAM Patent 1000

The Firm secured **31 attorney rankings in the areas of Patent Litigation, Patent Prosecution, Patent Transactions, and Post-Grant Proceedings** on the *2025 IAM Patent 1000 - The World's Leading Patent Practitioners (IAM Patent 1000).* Once again, the Firm earned exceptional recognition in China: Foreign & International rankings, the United States National category, and in six states including: California, Colorado, Georgia, North Carolina, Washington, and Texas.

In the **China: Foreign** region, Kilpatrick was one of only 18 firms ranked. In the **International** band, the Firm was one of the leading 36 firms noted with this global distinction. Kilpatrick was also one of only 16 firms named to the **U.S. National: Prosecution** category.

Legal 500 US

The Firm has received **Tier 1** rankings nationally for **Trademarks: Litigation** and **Trademarks: Non-Contentious (including Prosecution, Portfolio Management, and Licensing)** in the 2025 edition of *Legal*

500 US, an annual, comprehensive, research-based analysis of law firms in over 150 jurisdictions around the world.

Additionally, the Firm also had attorneys recognized for **Copyright** and **Patents: Prosecution (including Re-Examination and Post-Grant Proceedings)**.

Managing Intellectual Property (Managing IP) Awards

Kilpatrick was named the “**U.S. Trademark Disputes Firm of the Year**” and “**U.S. Patent Prosecution Firm of the Year**” at the **20th Annual Managing IP Awards**. In addition, Seattle-based Partner **Dario Machleidt** was named “**Litigator of the Year**” for Washington. The Firm was also named “**U.S. Firm of the Year -- Patent Prosecution (South Region)**.” Kilpatrick received 17 nominations for *Managing IP*’s Americas Awards, taking the top spot for the most nominations in 2025.

Managing Intellectual Property (Managing IP) - IP Stars

Firm attorneys **achieved 32 national and state rankings** in *Managing Intellectual Property’s (Managing IP) - IP Stars (2025)*, a prestigious guide to the leading intellectual property law firms and practitioners around the world. Kilpatrick is Ranked **Tier One** (U.S. National) in **Trademark Disputes, Trademark Prosecution, Copyright, and Patent Prosecution** along with top tier ranking in numerous states.

In addition, **Jennifer Arkowitz** was named one of *Managing IP*’s **Top 250 Women in IP** -- a special designation that recognizes senior female private practice IP practitioners who have performed exceptionally for their clients and firms in the past year.

World Trademark Review 1000

The *2025 World Trademark Review (WTR) 1000 - The World’s Leading Trademark Professionals* once again awarded the Firm with **gold-level recognition for its U.S. national practice** and for several U.S. states. The *WTR* recognized Kilpatrick with high rankings in **California, Colorado, D.C. Metro Area, Georgia, North Carolina, New York, and Washington**. The Firm is also ranked in **China and SARs | China: Foreign**—the only gold-level U.S. national firm ranked in this geographic market.

Once again, 35 Kilpatrick attorneys achieved individual rankings, placing the Firm at **#1 for most U.S. attorneys ranked and among the leaders globally for named individuals**. Partners **Ted Davis** and **Lisa Pearson** continue to be named among the leading attorneys nationally for enforcement & litigation, and **Mr. Davis** was also listed among the top attorneys nationally for prosecution and strategy.

World Intellectual Property Review (WIPR)

Kilpatrick has **38 attorneys** named *2025 World IP Review (WIPR) Leaders*. The Firm also achieved the highest WIPR ranking available for **U.S. Trademark Prosecution** and is ranked among the nation’s leading firms for **U.S. Trademark Litigation, U.S. Patent Prosecution, and U.S. Patent Litigation**. The Firm is ranked among the **top 10 firms in China** in all categories for Trademark and Patent.

Kilpatrick attorneys have led the charge with many of the world’s most prominent brands to expand into new markets, grow new product categories, distribute through new channels, and maximize the value of their IP portfolios. Strategic IP management continues to be one of the key challenges faced by businesses today. The Firm’s clients have an innovative and unified team that appreciates and prioritizes the value of IP protection in the current marketplace.

About Kilpatrick

Kilpatrick is trusted counsel to the world’s most innovative companies. To serve our ground-breaking clients, we strive to be at the forefront of client service and on the cutting edge of law and technology. With recognized strength in the technology sector and a full range of service offerings, we deliver practical, business-centric solutions built upon strong and enduring connections.

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