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Kilpatrick's Intellectual Property Department Continues to Garner National and International Recognition

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ATLANTA (August 22) — [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 for: ***The Best Lawyers in America®***, ***Best Lawyers "Best Law Firms"***, ***Chambers USA***, ***Managing Intellectual Property***, ***World Trademark Review 1000***, ***Legal 500***, and ***Who's Who Legal***.

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 2025 edition. This is the 12th consecutive year the firm has earned this prestigious recognition. In total, the firm has 24 attorneys recognized for Trademark Law and 40 attorneys recognized for Litigation – Intellectual Property.

Six of the firm's intellectual property attorneys ([Wab Kadaba](#), [James Trigg](#), [Charles Calkins](#), [Steve Gardner](#), [Laura Miller](#), and [Tina Williams McKeon](#)) 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 **Litigation - Intellectual Property** in the 2024 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 2024 edition of *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business*. The firm also received **Band 1** rankings for IP in Colorado, Georgia, and North Carolina.

Managing Intellectual Property

Managing Intellectual Property honored Kilpatrick as the “**IP Firm of the Year for the Americas**” for the second time in three years at the 19th annual 2023 Managing IP Americas Awards. Managing IP recognized Kilpatrick as the “**U.S. Trademark Prosecution Firm of the Year**” for the third year in a row and sixth time overall.

In addition to “U.S. Trademark Prosecution Firm of the Year”, Kilpatrick took home hardware for “**U.S. Trademark Prosecution Firm of the Year for the South** and “**U.S. Patent Disputes Firm of the Year for the South.**” The firm was also ranked **Tier One (U.S. National) in the Trademark Disputes, Trademark Prosecution, and Patent Prosecution categories.**

In addition, *Managing Intellectual Property* recognized firm partner [Ty Lord](#) as one of the “**Top 250 Women in IP.**” Kilpatrick had 33 attorneys named to [Managing IP Stars 2024](#).

World Trademark Review 1000

The 2024 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, Georgia, North Carolina, New York, and Washington, D.C. The firm is also ranked in **China and SARs | China: Foreign**—the only gold-level U.S. national firm ranked in this geographic market. For the second consecutive year, Kilpatrick is also recommended with a select number of firms as an **International Firm**.

A record number, 35, of Kilpatrick attorneys achieved individual rankings. Partners [Bill Brewster](#), [Ted Davis](#), and [Lisa Pearson](#) were again named among the **leading attorneys nationally for enforcement & litigation**, and Mr. Davis and Mr. Brewster were also listed among the **top attorneys nationally for prosecution and strategy**.

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 2024 edition of *Legal 500 US*, an annual, comprehensive, research-based analysis of law firms in over 150 jurisdictions around the world.

Who's Who Legal

[Lisa Pearson](#) was named a 2024 **Global Elite Trademark Thought Leader** by *Who's Who Legal*. Ms. Pearson, a partner in the firm's New York office, is one of only five U.S. attorneys who received this incredible honor. Thought Leaders: Global Elite illuminates what puts these lawyers and experts at the peak of the profession. It is not only their vast expertise and experience advising on some of the world's most significant and cutting-edge legal matters, but also their ability to innovate, inspire, and go above and beyond to deliver for their clients.

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.

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