

Legal 500 United States 2018 Highlights Sterne Kessler as a “Top Tier” Firm; Recognizes Nine Directors

Washington, D.C. (May 30, 2018) – Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox has been recommended as a “Top Tier” firm in Intellectual Property – Patent Prosecution (including reexamination and post-grant proceedings) in the 2018 edition of *Legal 500 United States* ranking. In addition, nine firm directors were recognized for excellence in Intellectual Property Patent Prosecution (including reexamination and post-grant proceedings). The complete results are available [here](#).

According to the publication, “On top of fielding a strong domestic and international patent application practice, Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox PLLC also excels in PTAB proceedings, has deep expertise in the life sciences and pharmaceutical sectors and also exhibits strength in semiconductor and technology related work.”

Regarding the firm’s attorneys, Legal 500 notes, “Robert Sokohl, Donald Banowit and Jorge Goldstein direct the ongoing prosecution for Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing, including devising strategies for PTAB proceedings. Design patent expert Tracy-Gene Durkin assists Apple with the development and implementation of its global design patent strategy, including the coordination of patent filings in over twenty countries worldwide. Other clients include Bristol-Meyers Squibb, Broadcom and adidas.”

In all, nine of the firm’s directors were recognized in the following categories:

Leading Lawyers:

- [Eric K. Steffe](#)
- [Robert Greene Sterne](#)

Next Generation Lawyers:

- [Richard D. Collier, III](#)

Recommended:

- [Donald R. Banowit](#)
- [Richard D. Collier, III](#)
- [Tracy-Gene G. Durkin](#)
- [Eldora L. Ellison, Ph.D.](#)
- [Jorge A. Goldstein, Ph.D.](#)
- [Michael B. Ray](#)
- [Eric K. Steffe](#)
- [Robert Greene Sterne](#)
- [Robert E. Sokohl](#)

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About Sterne Kessler

Founded in 1978 and based in Washington, D.C., Sterne Kessler is dedicated exclusively to the protection, transfer, and enforcement of intellectual property rights. Our team of attorneys, registered patent agents, students, and technical specialists include some of the country's most respected practitioners of intellectual property law. Most of our professionals hold an advanced level degree, including nearly 50 masters degrees and an additional 50+ with a doctorate in science or engineering -- credentials wide and deep enough to fill the faculty of a science-oriented university.

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