

Four Sterne Kessler Directors Named "WIPR Leaders"

Washington D.C. (January 31, 2020) - Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox is pleased to announce that four directors were named "WIPR Leaders" by *World Intellectual Property Review* (WIPR) in their annual publication.

The following directors have been named 2020 "WIPR Leaders:"

<u>Tracy-Gene G. Durkin</u>, leader of the Mechanical & Design Practice Group, was highlighted for her excellence in design patent law and over 30 years of experience in obtaining and enforcing patents, trademarks, and copyrights.

Eldora L. Ellison, Ph.D., director in the Biotechnology & Chemical and Trial & Appellate Practice Groups and co-chair of the Patent Office Litigation Practice, was acknowledged for representing a variety of clients in over 70 *inter partes* reviews, more than 15 patent interferences, and in various patent reexaminations and district court litigations

Robert Greene Sterne, a founding director of Sterne Kessler, was recognized for his extensive experience in PTAB and appellate litigation for electronics, software, and other technologies. He was also noted for writing and speaking on patent re-examinations and concurrent patent litigation.

<u>Monica Riva Talley</u>, leader of the Trademark & Brand Protection Practice, was regarded for her twenty years of experience in trademark counselling, portfolio management, and trademark enforcement.

The "WIPR Leaders" is a guide dedicated to identifying the world's leading lawyers in both the patent and trademarks areas. This annual roster is based on nominations from 12,000 IP professionals, in conjunction with information gathered from an extensive research process. The WIPR research team reviewed every nominated lawyer for suitability by exploring their work, including practice history, industry expertise, notable cases and additional writing and teaching responsibilities.

To view the full "2020 WIPR Leaders" directory, including individual profiles, please click here.

About Sterne Kessler

Based in Washington, D.C. and renowned for more than four decades for dedication to the protection, transfer, and enforcement of intellectual property rights, Sterne Kessler is one of the most highly regarded intellectual property specialty law firms in the world. Its team of attorneys, registered patent agents, students, and technical specialists include some of the country's most respected practitioners of IP law tackling innovations across a broad spectrum of industries. The firm's practitioners hold over 50 masters and over 50 doctorate degrees in science or engineering and represent Fortune 500 companies, entrepreneurs, start-ups, inventors, venture capital firms, and universities in a client service driven environment that is welcoming, inclusive, and intellectually stimulating. Visit the firm online at sternekessler.com.

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Directors Tracy Durkin, Eldora Ellison, Rob Sterne, and Monica Talley have been named 2020 WIPR Leaders by *World Intellectual Property Review*, which recognizes the world's top patent and trademark lawyers. Tracy and Rob have been recognized for the past five years, Monica for four years, and Eldora for three years.