

## **Sterne Kessler Recognized as a “Top Tier” Patent Prosecution Firm by *The Legal 500***

**Washington, D.C. (June 14, 2021)** – Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein, & Fox is delighted to announce that *The Legal 500* has ranked the firm as one of four “Tier 1” firms ranked in the “Patents: Prosecution (including reexamination and post-grant proceedings)” category. The publication notes that the firm “remains among the market’s most renowned patent prosecution addresses.” Additionally, *The Legal 500* has recognized Director [Eldora L. Ellison, Ph.D.](#) as a “Leading Lawyer.”

*The Legal 500* editors highlight Sterne Kessler’s strengths across a myriad of practice areas, such as life sciences, electronics, biotechnology, and chemistry. The published profile notes that the firm “combines wide-ranging technical expertise with an effective PTAB practice.” Sterne Kessler’s global reach is also noted when the editors opine that the firm is “well versed in the prosecution of patents involving Europe and Asia.” Additionally, Directors [Michael B. Ray](#), [Deborah Sterling, Ph.D.](#), [Jason D. Eisenberg](#), and [Tracy-Gene G. Durkin](#) are mentioned in the firm’s profile as practice group leaders in their respective practice areas. Further, Durkin is heralded as a “well-known design patent expert.”

This recognition for Sterne Kessler is consistent with the firm’s other premier rankings, including its position as the only *Chambers & Partners* “Band 1 - ranked” firm amongst Washington, D.C.’s leading intellectual property law firms in the area of patent prosecution. This is the 19th consecutive year that this definitive professional guide has rated the firm among the best-of-the-best firms in the United States for patent law, including patent prosecution and handling matters at the USPTO Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB).

Now in its 14th year, the U.S. edition of *The Legal 500* is based on research gathered by experienced lawyers and journalists from the law firms themselves, clients, and peers. *The Legal 500* is an independent guide, wherein firms and individuals are recommended purely on merit. The complete 2021 United States rankings are available [here](#).

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