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STERNE, KESSLER, GOLDSTEIN & FOX UPDATES PATENT OFFICE LITIGATION

Thomson Reuters Westlaw Release Features New Chapter on Design Patents

WASHINGTON, DC – Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox P.L.L.C., an intellectual property law firm in Washington, DC, is pleased to announce an update to *Patent Office Litigation*, its book on contested proceedings at the United States Patent and Trademark Office, published by Thomson Reuters Westlaw. A key publication for patent owners, litigators, and IP professionals operating in today's global economy, *Patent Office Litigation* explores the interplay between contested proceedings and the district courts, USITC and the Federal Circuit, analyzes hypothetical scenarios and examines comparable proceedings in select countries for a global perspective. Specific updates in the electronic publication include a new chapter focused on design patent contested proceedings, as well as updates to topics including supplemental examination (Chapter 5), patent prosecution overlap (Chapter 15), Office-District Court interface (Chapter 16), and Office-Federal Circuit interface (Chapter 18).

"When Sterne Kessler first published *Patent Office Litigation* in 2012, we predicted that contested proceedings would become a widely used tool in enforcing patents in the United States," said <u>Robert Greene Sterne</u>, Sterne Kessler founding director and editor-in-chief of *Patent Office Litigation*. "With nearly 900 filings on the record over the last 18 months, we can enthusiastically say that our prediction was correct."

Sterne Kessler has assembled one of the most sophisticated patent office litigation practices in the United States by leveraging its experience in patent interferences, reexamination, and appeals at the USPTO, in combination with patent litigation experience in the courts and at the U.S. International Trade Commission. To date, the firm has handled more than 70 *inter partes* review and covered business method patent review proceedings at the USPTO. For more information about *Patent Office Litigation*, click here. To order a copy, click <a href=here. Additionally, the updated content can be accessed through WestlawNext in the *Patent Office Litigation* section (PATOFFLIT database ID for WestlawClassic users).

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