

**Director Tracy-Gene G. Durkin Authors Chapter for  
*Research Handbook on Design Law***

**Washington, D.C.** (June 15, 2021) – Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox is pleased to announce that Director [Tracy-Gene G. Durkin](#) authored “Chapter 11: Design Protection for Graphical User Interfaces” for the book *Research Handbook on Design Law*, published by Edward Elgar Publishing in May 2021. Durkin’s chapter examines laws relating to the nuances of design protection for graphical user interface in the U.S., China, Japan, and Australia.

Durkin serves as the practice leader of Sterne Kessler’s Mechanical & Design Practice Group and is highly regarded by clients, peers, and intellectual property publications for her design patent expertise. “I am proud to have contributed to the *Research Handbook on Design Law* and believe it will be a valuable resource for design patent protection,” she said.

As noted by the publisher: “Written by expert scholars and practitioners, this unique Research Handbook presents the state of the art in research on, and the practice of, international design law. Combining cutting-edge research with a practical approach, it examines key trends and covers key cases, regional and national laws, as well as concepts of international design protection. In particular, the U.S. framework is compared with the regime of the EU, and issues relating to the Hague Agreement are also covered.”

To learn more about the book, please click [here](#).

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