

## Sterne Kessler Places Second in 2023 US Design Patent Toteboard Ranking

**Washington, D.C.** (February 16, 2024) – Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox is proud to announce that the firm has been ranked among the top three firms on the <u>2023 US Design Patent Toteboard</u> -- in second position – up from third in the two preceding years.

The toteboard, published by the *Ant-Like Persistence* blog by Carl Oppendahl, ranks firms according to the number of U.S. design patents obtained in 2023. Firms are asked to report only U.S. design patents for which that firm is listed on the front page of the granted patent. Sterne Kessler obtained a total of 574 U.S. patents for clients in 2023.

"We are extremely proud of our design patent team of attorneys, paralegals, and professional staff for their dedication to providing high-quality, cutting-edge work products for our clients every year – especially in 2023. With a total of more than 6,000 design patents filed globally in 2023, we had a record-setting year for the firm," said Sterne Kessler Director and head of the design practice, Tracy-Gene Durkin.

The survey ranking follows the recently released publication of Sterne Kessler's annual <u>2023</u> <u>Design Patents Year in Review: Analysis and Trends</u> report which highlights some of the important developments that occurred in 2023 involving design patents at the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit (CAFC), the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC), U.S. District Courts, and the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB). The related on-demand webinar is available <u>here</u>.

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