

Sterne Kessler Earns Recognition for “Impact” Litigation Case and Patent Prosecution at 2019 Managing Intellectual Property Awards

Washington D.C. (March 8, 2019) - Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox, is pleased to announce the firm has won top honors from *Managing Intellectual Property* magazine at the publication's annual “MIP Awards” in the “Impact Cases” and the “Patent Prosecution: U.S. National” categories.

The firm was presented the “Impact Case of the Year Award” for work on *Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe, Allergan v Mylan Pharmaceuticals, Teva Pharmaceuticals USA, Akorn*. Directors [J.C. Rozendaal](#), [Michael E. Joffre](#), [R. Wilson "Trey" Powers III](#), [Pauline Pelletier](#) and Associate [William H. Milliken](#) represented Teva in this headline-producing case. Specifically, the team successfully invalidated all patents in suit following a bench trial. The drug at issue in the case – Restasis® – generates approximately \$1.4 billion in annual revenues for Allergan. Prior to final judgement, Allergan transferred the patents to the St. Regis Mohawk Tribe generating further litigation that was ultimately unsuccessful for Allergan.

Additionally, the firm took home the top award in the category “Patent Prosecution: U.S. National” in recognition of Sterne Kessler’s prowess and long-standing market leadership in [patent prosecution](#). These awards validate the firm’s belief that leading patent prosecution and [IP litigation](#) practices are truly complementary and strengthen one another.

Finally, Sterne Kessler was shortlisted in three additional areas, including being ranked among the best firms in the U.S. for handling [matters](#) at the Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB) and for being a top-tier U.S. patent prosecution firm in the Northeast. The firm continued to be listed among the top “IP Specialty Firms in the U.S.,” a recognition it has received consistently, since the MIP rankings were established several years ago.

About the MIP Award

Managing Intellectual Property’s “Annual Patent Survey” is one of the intellectual property industry’s largest and most detailed analyses of the world’s leading patent firms. Rankings are based on extensive research, including client and peer interviews from leading attorneys in the field.

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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