

**Sterne Kessler Recognized as a “Top Tier” Firm  
by *Legal 500* for Excellence in IP**

**Washington D.C.** (June 4, 2019) – Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox is once again recognized in the top tier of firms offering excellence in IP. Specifically, Sterne Kessler earned the highest *Legal 500* ranking among firms in the “Patents: Prosecution (including reexamination and post-grant proceedings)” category. In the recently released 2019 edition of *Legal 500* United States rankings, the firm boasts two of only five attorneys ranked in “Tier 1” of “Leading Lawyers” and one of only three attorneys recognized with the “Next Generation Lawyers” designation.

Recognizing the stellar reputation Sterne Kessler has earned for post-grant proceedings at the US Patent and Trademark Office’s Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB), the editors note that the firm, “has particular strength in the defense of patent owners against challenges brought before the PTAB, but also impresses with its busy caseload representing petitioners in PTAB challenges and its noted prowess in the drafting and filing of patent applications, predominantly domestic ones.” The firm’s ranked attorneys include:

**Leading Lawyers:**

- [Eric K. Steffe](#)
- [Robert Greene Sterne](#)

**Next Generation Lawyers:**

- [Richard D. Collier, III](#)

In its 12<sup>th</sup> year, researchers for the U.S. edition of the *Legal 500* series have surveyed and interviewed more than 300,000 corporate counsel. The *Legal 500* is an independent guide, and firms and individuals are recommended purely on merit. The *Legal 500* series’ analysis of law firm capabilities extends to over 150 jurisdictions. The complete rankings are available [here](#).

**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](http://sternekessler.com).

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