

Sterne Kessler Notches Top Rankings in 2022 IPR Intelligence Report Based on PTAB Case Volume and Results

Washington, D.C. (October 11, 2022) – Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox has been ranked among the top law firms in multiple categories of Patexia’s 2022 *IPR Intelligence Report* – a ranking of *inter partes* review (IPR) filing activity and performance at the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB) from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2022.

Based on Patexia’s research, Sterne Kessler achieved the following rankings:

- Third most active firm overall for representing either petitioners or patent owners;
- Second most active firm representing patent owners; and
- Fifth most active firm representing petitioners.

In addition, the firm earned top-tier positions among the 100 ranked firms in each of the following categories:

- #7 – Best Performing Law Firms Representing Patent Owners;
- #16 – Best Performing Law Firms Representing Petitioners; and
- #12 – Best Performing Law Firms Overall.

“We are pleased with these results as they highlight our ongoing PTAB leadership,” noted Director [Michael D. Specht](#), Sterne Kessler PTAB Practice Co-Chair. “Since the PTAB’s inception, we have been committed to being thought leaders and continually evolving our practice to serve the needs of our clients. We literally [wrote the book](#) on PTAB practice and through our in-depth [annual PTAB Year in Review](#) reports help ensure we remain at the forefront of PTAB practice. These rankings are a reflection of that commitment.”

A distinguished roster of individual Sterne Kessler lawyers were also recognized for their IPR work in several categories.

The 100 Most Active Attorneys Representing Patent Owners

- Director [Jason D. Eisenberg](#) (Top 50)
- Director [Jon E. Wright](#) (Top 50)
- Counsel [James R. Hietala](#)
- Director [Richard M. Bemben](#)
- Director [Lestin L. Kenton, Jr.](#)
- Director [Christian A. Camarce](#)
- Director [Daniel S. Block](#)

The 100 Most Active Attorneys Representing Petitioners

- Director Michael D. Specht (Top 50)
- Director [Daniel E. Yonan](#)
- Director Daniel S. Block
- Director Jon E. Wright
- Director [Jason A. Fitzsimmons](#)

The 100 Best Performing Attorneys Representing Patent Owners

- Director Jason D. Eisenberg (Top 50)
- Director Daniel S. Block (Top 50)
- Director Lestin L. Kenton, Jr. (Top 50)
- Director Christian A. Camarce (Top 50)
- Director Richard M. Bembem (Top 50)
- Director Jon E. Wright
- Director [Richard D. Collier III](#)
- Associate [Steven M. Pappas](#)

The 100 Best Performing Attorneys Representing Petitioners

- Director Jason A. Fitzsimmons (Top 50)
- Director [Byron L. Pickard](#)
- Director [Donald R. Banowit](#)
- Counsel [Yuan Liang](#)

These firm and attorney rankings further demonstrate the strength of Sterne Kessler's industry-leading PTAB practice, having handled nearly 1,200 PTAB proceedings – more than all but one other firm. Among other recent awards, the firm has been recognized as the "PTAB Firm of the Year" an unprecedented three times by *Managing Intellectual Property*.

"Congratulations to all our team members for this well-deserved recognition," exclaimed Specht. "We have an awesome team with tremendous bench strength that takes on significant and challenging PTAB matters for our clients. We are not resting on our laurels and are committed to continually growing our team. Most recently, we were [recognized by the USPTO](#) as a top firm that participates in the PTAB's LEAP Program, which provides oral advocacy opportunities to less experienced practitioners. Earlier this month, [Jennifer Meyer Chagnon](#), a former lead PTAB Judge, [joined us as counsel](#). This has been another great year for us!"

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About Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox

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, Goldstein & Fox 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 60 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.

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