

Trademarks

Establishing and protecting trademark rights is a key component of our intellectual property practice. Our attorneys obtain a comprehensive understanding of the clients' business and marketing strategies to ensure that trademarks are both protected against unauthorized use and exploited in a manner that gives our clients assurance that no rights are being violated.

We provide U.S. and global strategies for trademark protection. Whether counseling small or large businesses, our attorneys have the depth of experience and expertise required to address issues in a wide array of industries.

Our attorneys handle all types of trademark disputes, including domain name issues, our attorneys are well-equipped to fortify our clients' current trademark portfolios and guide the selection and protection of new marks for products and services. Whether conducting U.S. or international trademark searches or prosecuting a trademark application, our attorneys make sure that our clients receive proper trademark protection. We have substantial experience in licensing and related transactional practice areas to enable our clients to maximize business opportunities.

- Domain names
- International Trademarks
- Trade Dress
- Trademark Cancellation Proceedings
- Trademark Clearance
- Trademark Counseling
- Trademark Litigation
- Trademark Opposition Proceedings
- Trademark Portfolio Management and Brand Protection
- Trademark Prosecution
- Trademark Protection
- Trademark Registration
- Trademark Trial and Appeal Board Matters

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Industries Served

Agriculture
Automotive
Pharmaceuticals / Biotechnology /
Chemicals
Business Services
Construction
Consumer Goods / Retail
Electronics / Manufacturing / Machinery
Energy
Entertainment
Financial / Banking
Medical / Medical Equipment / Medical
Devices
Technology / Software

Panitch Schwarze Attorney Presents at AIPLA Mid-Winter Meeting // February 7, 2019

Panitch Schwarze partner Dr. Jeffrey W. Gluck recently participated in a presentation entitled “*Oracle v. Google* – Getting More (or Less) Than You Licensed” during the 2019 Mid-Winter meeting of the American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA) in Tampa, Florida. [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Client LugBug® Featured on ABC's 'Shark Tank' // December 17, 2018

Panitch Schwarze congratulates its client LugBug on being featured on ABC's Shark Tank. The LugBug Handle is an attachment for baby carriers that allows better range of motion for parents and caregivers. LugBug's creator, Nathan Day, presented his invention to the Sharks on the Oct. 8 episode of season 10 of the popular program. [Read more](#)

IP Attorney Bridget H. Labutta Participates in Villanova Law School Roundtable // October 9, 2018

Intellectual property attorney Bridget H. Labutta recently participated in a professional development roundtable at Villanova University's Charles Widger School of Law. Labutta discussed her career path and provided insight into the qualities that make a successful intellectual property attorney. [Read more](#)

When A Name Is More Than Just A Name // June 27, 2018

Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel will be discussing an overview of trademark practice for non-trademark practitioners. [Read more](#)

7 Panitch Schwarze Attorneys Named Among 'Best Lawyers in America' // August 15, 2017

The intellectual property law firm of Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel LLP is pleased to announce that seven of its attorneys have been named to the 2018 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*®, one of the legal profession's oldest and most respected peer-review publications. [Read more](#)

John D. Simmons and Bridget H. Labutta Attend Global IP Conference // June 27, 2017

Intellectual property attorneys John D. Simmons and Bridget H. Labutta attended the May conference of the International Trademark Association in Barcelona, Spain. During the conference, more than 10,200 brand management, trademark, and other IP professionals met for five days of intense learning, business strategy meetings, and networking. [Read more](#)

Chambers USA Ranks Panitch Schwarze Among Top IP Attorneys for 2017 // May 26, 2017

Philadelphia and Wilmington IP lawyers ranked among top intellectual property practitioners in U.S. [Read more](#)

John D. Simmons to Lead Philadelphia IP Law Association // May 18, 2017

Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel is proud to announce that partner John D. Simmons has been elected to serve as president of the Philadelphia Intellectual Property Law Association (PIPLA). [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Partner Named to 'Who's Who Legal' // November 2, 2016

Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel is proud to announce that partner Ronald L. Panitch has been named to the 2016 list of Who's Who Legal: Trademarks. [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze to Host INTA Roundtable on Trademarks // October 7, 2016

Intellectual property law firm Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel will host an International Trademark Association roundtable focusing on tips for managing trademark projects. [Read more](#)

Intellectual Property Law Firm to Host International Trademark Association Roundtable // June 2, 2016

Intellectual property attorneys to host roundtable discussion on behalf of the International Trademark Association. [Read more](#)

Partner Alan Nadel Speaks On U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Patent Litigation Alternatives //
September 11, 2015

Patent attorney Alan Nadel of Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel LLP will present a CLE on effective strategies to manage patent and trademark litigation. [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Attorneys Recognized as 'Leaders in their Field' in Chambers USA 2015 // June 16, 2015
Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel LLP is pleased to announce that Ronald L. Panitch, William W. Schwarze, Martin G. Belisario, Alan S. Nadel, and Clark A. Jablon have been ranked as "Leaders in their Field" in the 2015 Chambers & Partners USA Directory in the field of Intellectual Property law. [Read more](#)

9 Panitch Schwarze Attorneys Named Pennsylvania 'Super Lawyers' and 'Rising Stars' for 2015 // May 15, 2015

Panitch Schwarze Belisario and Nadel LLP is pleased to announce that Ronald L. Panitch, William W. Schwarze, Martin G. Belisario, and Alan S. Nadel have been named to the Pennsylvania Super Lawyers list as five of the top attorneys in Pennsylvania for 2015. [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Named a Top IP Law Firm by Forbes // May 4, 2015

Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel LLP, an intellectual property law firm, is pleased and honored to announce that Forbes magazine has recognized it as a top IP law firm in the Forbes Legal Black Book created by Forbes Business Division. [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Attorneys Named 2015 'IP Stars' // April 15, 2015

Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel LLP, an intellectual property law firm, is pleased to announce that attorneys Ronald L. Panitch, William W. Schwarze, and Alan S. Nadel have been named 2015 IP Stars by Managing Intellectual Property, a leading source of news and analysis on intellectual property issues worldwide. [Read more](#)

PTAB Rules in favor of BBitV against Hawaiian Telcom // April 1, 2015

Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel LLP is pleased to announce that today the United States Patent and Trademark Office's Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB) ruled in favor of its client Broadband iTV, Inc. ("BBitV"). [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Welcomes New IP Associate Bridget Labutta // February 20, 2015

Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel LLP is pleased to announce the arrival of the firm's newest associate attorney, Bridget H. Labutta. [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Ranked Among 2015 'Best Law Firms' // November 3, 2014

U.S. News has named Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel LLP as a 2015 Best Lawyers® "Best Law Firm." and was specifically mentioned nationally and in the Philadelphia metropolitan area for Intellectual Property. [Read more](#)

Subject Matter Conflicts in IP // October 2, 2014

John Steele, Esq., will give a presentation on Subject Matter Conflicts in IP. CLE will be applied for but is not guaranteed [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Opens New Location in Delaware // September 10, 2014

Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel LLP is pleased to announce its expansion of its Intellectual Property practice with the opening of a new Wilmington, Delaware office. [Read more](#)

Best Practices in Intellectual Property Deadline Management // September 9, 2014

Martin G. Belisario, Partner with Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel LLP, will give a presentation on Best Practices for managing Patent and Trademark prosecution deadlines. Lunch will be provided. CLE will be applied for but is not guaranteed. [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Announces New Location in Delaware // August 25, 2014

Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel LLP is pleased to announce its expansion of its Intellectual Property practice with the opening of a new Wilmington office at the Wells Fargo Tower, 2200 Concord Pike, Suite 201, Wilmington, DE 19803. [Read more](#)

5 Panitch Schwarze Intellectual Property Attorneys Named in 'Best Lawyers in America' 2015 // August 19, 2014

Intellectual Property attorneys from Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel LLP were included in the oldest and most respected peer-review publication in the legal profession. Best Lawyers recognized each of these attorneys for their Intellectual Property practice. [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Intellectual Property Attorneys Recognized as 'Leaders in their Field' in Chambers USA 2014 // July 10, 2014

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Inequitable Conduct: A Recap of Therasense and Subsequent CAFC Decisions // June 26, 2014

Summer Associate William Kaufmann will give a presentation on Inequitable Conduct. Lunch will be provided. CLE is being applied for but is not guaranteed. [Read more](#)

8 Panitch Schwarze Intellectual Property Attorneys Named Pennsylvania 'Super Lawyers' and 'Rising Stars' for 2014 // May 23, 2014

Panitch Schwarze Belisario and Nadel LLP is pleased to announce that Ronald L. Panitch, William W. Schwarze, Martin G. Belisario, and Alan S. Nadel have been selected to the Pennsylvania "Super Lawyers" list as four of the top attorneys in Pennsylvania for 2013. [Read more](#)

Australian and New Zealand Patent Law // May 14, 2014

Matt Adams, Partner with AJ Park in New Zealand, will hold a presentation on various updates in New Zealand and Australian patent law. Lunch will be served. CLE will be applied for but is not guaranteed [Read more](#)

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attorneys for their Intellectual Property practice. In addition, Ronald L. Panitch was named the 'Best Lawyers' 2014 Philadelphia Litigation - Patent "Lawyer of the Year." [Read more](#)

Trademark Enforcement in the New Internet Domain Landscape // May 9, 2013

For a fee, trademark owners can record their marks with the Trademark Clearinghouse, and this information will be made available to those seeking to register new generic top-level domain names, or gTLDs. [Read more](#)

Ronald Panitch Recognized in the 2012 International Who's Who of Trademark Attorneys // April 30, 2012

For the second year in a row, Ronald L. Panitch has been recognized as being among the world's leading Trademark lawyers in the 2012 edition of The International Who's Who of Trademark Lawyers, part of the 2012 compendium volume of The International Who's Who of Business Lawyers. [Read more](#)

4 Panitch Schwarze Intellectual Property Attorneys Named 'Best Lawyers in America' for 2012 //

November 18, 2011

Four attorneys were recently selected by their peers for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America 2012-2013. In addition, the firm was ranked in the Best Law Firms rankings, published in November's U.S. News and World Report's Money issue. [Read more](#)

IP Partner at Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel Speaks at Law Review CLE // April 25, 2011

Alan S. Nadel, a Partner at Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel LLP was a speaker at the LawReviewCle's "Introduction to Copyright, Trademark & other Intellectual Property Law CLE" on March 31, 2011, at the Radisson Plaza Warwick Hotel in Philadelphia. [Read more](#)

FROM THE BLOG

January 17, 2019

Are You Offended?: Scandalous and Disparaging Trademarks

Not every name or brand is eligible for federal trademark registration with the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office (USPTO). One of the reasons the USPTO might reject an application to register a trademark is because the trademark is considered offensive. [Read more](#)

November 20, 2018

Waiting to Enforce your Trademark Rights

Owning a trademark brings certain benefits and obligations. If you are the first entity in a particular geographic area to use a distinctive word (or phrase, logo, color, etc.) to sell a product or to provide a service, then you may claim exclusive rights in that area for that trademark on those products or services. Your trademark rights allow you to preclude subsequent entities in the same area from using the same, or confusingly similar, trademark on related products or services. [Read more](#)

September 5, 2018

What do the TM, SM, ®, ©, and "Pat. Pend." Symbols Mean? How should I use them?

Intellectual property assets are valuable. One way to maintain the value of those assets is to correctly use the applicable notice, shown as symbols or specific phrasing, that publicly designate the type of protection claimed. [Read more](#)

July 9, 2018

When Will the Patent Office Issue Patent #20,000,000?

On June 19th, the US Patent Office issued its ten millionth patent, to Raytheon, just over three years after it issued the ninth millionth patent to WiperFill Holdings, LLC. It took 200 years for the total number of U.S. patents to reach 5 million. [Read more](#)

May 21, 2018

Inter Partes Reviews – A Brief Primer, Recent Supreme Court Rulings, and the USPTO’s Notice of Proposed Changes

Inter partes reviews (IPRs) were enacted on September 16, 2012, as part of the America Invents Act (AIA) passed by Congress. [Read more](#)