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Focused on matters solely involving intellectual property, our firm protects and enforces your company's most valued intellectual property assets. We have a highly specialized team of advocates that provide litigation, licensing, and strategic counseling services relating to patents, trademarks, copyrights and trade secrets. Our team of approximately 25 patent and trademark practitioners has extensive experience across all areas of science, with specialized degrees (many with advanced degrees) in areas such as mechanical, electrical, biomedical and chemical engineering, microbiology, chemistry, and physics. We are committed to understanding the intricate products and processes of our clients, tailoring our services to meet unique client needs and advise on the best forms of protection.

The firm's clientele spans across industries, running the gamut from the pharmaceutical industry to the gaming and toy industry. Whether assisting an individual inventor in securing a trademark or representing a Fortune 500 company in high stakes litigation, Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel LLP addresses each client need with the responsiveness and personalized attention characteristic of a sophisticated boutique firm. Below is a list of industries with which we have extensive experience.

- International IP Protection
- IP Acquisitions
- IP Agreements
- IP Appeals

Attorneys / Agents

Martin G. Belisario
Dennis J. Butler
Erin M. Dunston
Ragi A.I. Elias
Clark A. Jablon
Keith A. Jones
Leslie L. Kasten Jr.
Sandra M. Katz, Ph.D.
Bridget H. Labutta
Stephen E. Murray
Alan S. Nadel
Ronald L. Panitch
Aaron L.J. Pereira
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Bijal Shah-Creamer
John D. Simmons
Richard A. Woldin, Ph.D.
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Industries Served

Agriculture / Horticulture
Automotive
Pharmaceuticals / Biotechnology /
Chemicals
Business Services
Construction
Consumer Goods / Retail
Electronics / Manufacturing / Machinery
Energy
Entertainment
Financial / Banking

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Panitch Schwarze Patent Litigation Team Wins PTAB Proceeding for Client ImmerVision // May 14, 2021

In this inter partes review, the petitioner challenged a patent owned by Panitch Schwarze client ImmerVision. [Read more](#)

Intellectual Property Attorney Stephen E. Murray's Article Is Featured in Business Law Today // May 10, 2021

When NDAs Go Bad: Proactive and Timely Steps to Protecting Your Company Against NDA-Related Disputes by Panitch Schwarze partner Stephen E. Murray is featured in the American Bar Association's Business Law Today. [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Partner Speaks at The Pennsylvania State University – Harrisburg Commencement Ceremony // May 10, 2021

Delaware and Pennsylvania IP attorney delivers commencement speech at the Pennsylvania State University – Harrisburg graduation ceremony for the School of Science, Engineering, and Technology. [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Partner Travis W. Bliss and Patent Agent Stephany G. Small to Present at CIOPORA Academy // May 5, 2021

Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel LLP's Travis W. Bliss, Ph.D. and Stephany G. Small, Ph.D. will present at the 2021 CIOPORA Academy program. [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Partner to Discuss Data Challenges at Global Series Program // April 9, 2021

Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel LLP partner Philip L. Hirschhorn will participate in a program entitled 'The Data Challenges: Collection, Enterprise, Governance' at the Federal Circuit Bar Association virtual global series. [Read more](#)

Bijal Shah-Creamer Named Partner at Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel // January 4, 2021

Boutique Philadelphia IP law firm promotes associate who brings a wealth of experience in IP protection and patents [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Partner Philip L. Hirschhorn Discusses Moving to a New Firm During a Global Pandemic // October 30, 2020

Partner [Philip L. Hirschhorn](#) recently spoke with Managing IP, a leading source of news and insight into global intellectual property trends and topics, about making a lateral move during the ongoing pandemic of novel coronavirus. [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Partner to Moderate Federal Circuit Bar Association Webcast Event // October 16, 2020

Erin M. Dunston will take part in a webcast that discusses PTO Rulemaking and Changes to IPRs/PGRs. [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Partner to Present at Intellectual Property Law CLE, Live Webcast // September 30, 2020
Erin M. Dunston will discuss Inter Partes Reviews & Post-Grant Proceedings: Best Strategies for Winning in Live Webcast. [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Lawyers Named Among 'The Best Lawyers in America' for 2021 // August 19, 2020
Eight Pennsylvania and Delaware intellectual property lawyers recognized nationally and in Philadelphia metro area for excellence in patent and trademark law and IP litigation [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Attorney Aaron L.J. Pereira to Present at Hatch-Waxman and IPR Strategy Webinar // July 29, 2020
Panitch Schwarze attorney Aaron L.J. Pereira, will present at the "Hatch-Waxman and IPR Strategy in Light of Recent Case Decisions: Addressing Emerging Issues" webinar. [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Partner and Patent Agent to Present at AmericanHort's Cultivate'20 Virtual Conference // July 8, 2020
Panitch Schwarze partner Travis W. Bliss, Ph.D. and patent agent Stephany G. Small, Ph.D., will present at AmericanHort's Cultivate'20 Virtual conference. The conference offers world-class education sessions, in-depth group discussions, and opportunities to forge new connections. [Read more](#)

Inventor and Panitch Schwarze Client Lonnie Johnson Featured by USPTO // June 24, 2020
Taking a great idea from concept to market can take years of hard work and unwavering persistence, as inventor Lonnie Johnson knows well. Johnson, who is a client of Panitch Schwarze's, recently was featured in Journeys of Innovation, a series by the USPTO. [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Partner Authors Article on IPRs, Patent Damages and Patent Activity for Information Display Magazine // June 1, 2020
Panitch Schwarze founding partner Clark A. Jablon authored "Is the Sky Falling in the US Patent Industry" for the Marketplace section of Information Display Magazine. [Read more](#)

U.S. News - Best Lawyers Again Names Panitch Schwarze Among 'Best Law Firms' for 2020 // November 5, 2019
Pennsylvania and Delaware intellectual property law firm ranked nationally and in Philadelphia metro area for excellence in patent and trademark law and IP litigation [Read more](#)

Oracle v. Google: Overview and Implications // October 30, 2019
[Dr. Jeffrey Gluck](#) will be discussing an overview and implications of the Oracle v. Google case. [Read more](#)

Attorney Dennis Butler to Speak at 2019 Venture & IP Conference // August 15, 2019
Panitch Schwarze partner Dennis Butler will present at the 2019 Invent Penn State Venture & IP Conference. His session will focus on IP 101 – "What Every Start-up Needs to Know about IP Protection." This discussion will emphasize intellectual property issues that start-ups may face, as well as some of the best strategies on how to manage those risks. [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Partner Dr. Travis W. Bliss Presented on Plant Variety Protection for Vegetatively Reproduced Varieties in the USA // August 15, 2019
Panitch Schwarze Partner Dr. Travis W. Bliss presented on Plant Variety Protection for Vegetatively Reproduced Varieties in the USA at the Ciopora Academy's Workshop on IP for Plants. [Read more](#)

2019 IP YEAR IN REVIEW // July 25, 2019

Mr. Steiger will be discussing Supreme Court and Federal Circuit Cases relevant to IP from the past year. [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Partner Dr. Travis W. Bliss and Patent Agent Dr. Stephany G. Small presented on Intellectual Property Protections for Novel Plant Varieties // July 15, 2019

Panitch Schwarze Partner Dr. Travis W. Bliss and Patent Agent Dr. Stephany G. Small presented on Intellectual Property Protections for Novel Plant Varieties at [American Hort's Cultivate '19 Conference](#). [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Partner Dr. Travis W. Bliss Spoke on IP Options in the U.S. for Novel Ornamental and Fruit Varieties // April 24, 2019

Panitch Schwarze Partner Dr. Travis W. Bliss spoke on IP Options in the U.S. for novel ornamental and fruit varieties at the CIOPORA 2019 Annual General Meeting. [Read more](#)

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](#)

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](#)

Panitch Schwarze Attorney Co-Authors AIPPI Report // August 22, 2018

Dr. Jeffrey W. Gluck co-wrote a report that examines ways that standards organizations and patent and trademark offices around the world can collaborate to share information [Read more](#)

PIPLA Year in Review Meeting // April 30, 2018

Panitch Schwarze partner John Simmons, who also serves as president of the Philadelphia Intellectual Property Association (PIPLA), is proud to announce that the organization's annual year-in-review meeting will be held May 10, 2018. [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Attorney Speaks at IP Law Symposium // April 5, 2018

Intellectual property lawyer participates in annual Penn Intellectual Property Group event at University of Pennsylvania Law School [Read more](#)

IP Attorney John D. Simmons Assumes Presidency of PIPLA // November 7, 2017

Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel LLP is proud to announce that John D. Simmons will lead the Philadelphia Intellectual Property Law Association (PIPLA) for the 2017 – 2018 program year, while attorney Keith A. Jones will continue to serve on the organization's board. [Read more](#)

Penn State Honors IP Attorney Dennis J. Butler with Alumni Achievement Award // October 24, 2017

Panitch Schwarze partner honored by Penn State Harrisburg's School of Science, Engineering, and Technology for success, leadership, and contribution to society [Read more](#)

6 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](#)

Panitch Schwarze Attorney Honored with Lifetime Achievement Award // June 8, 2017

Intellectual property lawyer given Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award [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 Attorney Named to Board of Directors of Eastern Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce // November 11, 2016

Philadelphia intellectual property law firm Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel is pleased to announce that attorney Stephen E. Murray has been named to the Board of Directors of the Eastern Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce. He is also a member of the EMCCC Technology Committee. [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Named 'Top IP Firm' by Philadelphia Business Journal // October 21, 2016

Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel LLP has been listed among the top Intellectual Property law firms in the greater Philadelphia area. [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Attorneys to Help Govern Philadelphia IP Law Association // October 11, 2016

The Philadelphia intellectual property law firm Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel is proud to announce that two of its attorneys have been elected to leadership roles in the Philadelphia Intellectual Property Law Association (PIPLA) for the 2016 – 2017 program year. John D. Simmons will serve as President-Elect and Keith A. Jones will serve on the Board of Governors. [Read more](#)

Partner Jeffrey W. Gluck Attends AIPPI World Congress // September 16, 2016

Panitch Schwarze intellectual property attorney attends 2016 AIPPI World Congress in Milan, Italy. [Read more](#)

IP Attorney Bridget H. Labutta to Participate in Villanova Law School Roundtable // September 5, 2016

Intellectual property Attorney Bridget H. Labutta to Participate in Villanova Law School Roundtable [Read more](#)

PTAB Grants Rehearing of Patent in Delaware Litigation // February 4, 2016

In a rare move, the U.S. Patent Trial and Appeal Board recently granted rehearing of its denial to institute *inter partes* review of Greatbatch Ltd.'s U.S. Patent No. 7,327,553. [Read more](#)

Top Patent Trends for 2016 // January 6, 2016

The protection of intellectual property rights through the use of patents remains critically important in today's

global economy. Court decisions in 2015 affected important elements of patent law and laid the foundation for continuing evolution of the law in 2016. [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Attorneys Recognized as 'Leaders in their Field' in Chambers USA 2015 // June 16, 2015
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8 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](#)

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](#)

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](#)

4 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](#)

U.S. Supreme Court Ruling Impacts Business-Related Software Inventions // July 14, 2014

The U.S. Supreme Court recently ruled on a patent case, *Alice Corp. v. CLS Bank*, regarding whether business-related software inventions are entitled to patent protection under 35 U.S.C. § 101, which defines the statutory categories of inventions entitled to patent protection. [Read more](#)

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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](#)

7 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](#)

Panitch Schwarze Ranked Among 2014 'Best Law Firms' // November 1, 2013

U.S. News has named Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel LLP as a 2014 *Best Lawyers*® "Best Law Firm." and was specifically mentioned nationally and in the Philadelphia metropolitan area for Intellectual Property. [Read more](#)

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Recent Rulings Affecting IP Law // July 25, 2013

A presentation on recent Supreme Court and Federal Circuit cases impacting IP Law will be led by our summer Associate William Kaufmann. Lunch will be provided. CLE is being applied for but is not guaranteed. [Read more](#)

Dennis Butler Elected to Executive Committee of Brehon Law Society // June 29, 2012

Dennis Butler, Attorney at Panitch Schwarze Belisario and Nadel LLP, was elected to the Executive Committee of the Brehon Law Society, a legal organization comprised of attorneys, judges and law students of Irish descent. [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze IP Attorney Dennis Butler to Speak at Capstone Engineering Conference // April 3, 2012

Dennis Butler, Attorney at Panitch Schwarze Belisario and Nadel LLP, will be the featured speaker at the upcoming Engineering Capstone Design Conference held at the Pennsylvania State University on April 21, 2012. The conference will take place at the University's Harrisburg campus. [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](#)

Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel IP Partner Speaks at the World Trade Center's Entrepreneurship Seminar //

October 7, 2011

Philadelphia Intellectual Property attorney Martin Belisario of Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel LLP will be a featured speaker at The World Trade Center's "From Entrepreneur to Exporter" seminar to be presented at the University Science Center on October 18, 2011. Belisario will give tips on protecting and enforcing intellectual property rights in foreign markets. [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

[March 16, 2021](#)

Denying IPR Based on Third Party Litigation Not a Due Process Violation

A decision from the Federal Circuit published March 12, 2021 upheld a Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB) order denying institution of an inter partes review (IPR) because a district court case not involving the petitioner was imminently headed to trial. [Read more](#)

[February 3, 2021](#)

Plant IP 101: Understand the various options so you can provide basic advice to clients in this complex area of IP law

There are a number of different types of protection that can be used to protect a novel plant cultivar – Plant Patents, USDA Plant Variety Protection (PVP), Utility Patents directed toward a particular variety, foreign Plant Breeder Rights (PBR), Trademarks, etc. [Read more](#)

[December 22, 2020](#)

2021 IP Trends: Global Patent Officials Must Decide Whether AI Can Be an Inventor for Purposes of Patent Protection

Artificial intelligence is being used more and more to develop new inventions without human aid. But as AI capabilities increase at a rapid pace, patent offices around the world face a crucial question: can AI be an inventor for purposes of patent protection? [Read more](#)

[December 9, 2020](#)

As Cannabis Industry Moves Toward Full Legalization, IP Protection Becomes a Crucial Business Strategy

Cannabis legalization in one form or another was on the ballot in five states – Arizona, Mississippi, Montana, New Jersey, and South Dakota – and passed in all of them. [Read more](#)

[September 8, 2020](#)

Typing (Yes, Typing) Tips in Intellectual Property Law

Here are a few quick tips on typing IP-related characters in Microsoft Word and Outlook, and a tip on pasting that is not IP-specific but is worth knowing. [Read more](#)