



Intellectual Property Litigation

The Foster Pepper intellectual property litigation team invests the time and resources to develop and execute effective strategies in IP disputes, including patent, copyright, trademark, licensing and trade secret matters. Our representation of both plaintiffs and defendants better positions us to accomplish favorable outcomes for our clients. We are proud to be recognized by clients and peers in the *U.S. News-Best Lawyers* “Best Law Firms” survey as a top intellectual property litigation practice in Washington state.

Our approach includes preventative measures and pre-litigation planning to strengthen our client’s position before actions commence. When litigation arises, however, we vigorously represent interests of our client. We have appeared in state and federal courts throughout the United States, including the U.S. Supreme Court, the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, the Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board, and the Patent Trial and Appeal Board. The breadth and depth of Foster Pepper’s intellectual property litigation practice enables us to efficiently staff attorney teams tailored to the client’s needs and uniquely positions the firm to handle all kinds of IP claims.

Our practice includes experienced patent attorneys who have significant experience in post-grant procedures and *inter partes* review, as well as covered business method post-grant review, *ex parte* and *inter partes* reexaminations.

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Representation of a major software company in an action to seize infringing programs
- Representation of an NBA team in continuing efforts to protect the team’s rights in cable broadcasts of its games
- Representation of financial institutions in actions and disputes regarding trade names and service marks
- Representation of a motel franchiser in an action to collect damages and enjoin use of its name by an unauthorized motel operator
- Representation of a Washington winery in preventing importation of wine bearing an infringing label