

Intellectual Property and Technology in the United Kingdom

Overview

Protecting your company's intellectual property—whether it is a new medical device, a company logo or a computer software program—is invaluable in today's fast-moving global markets. Dentons is a firm renowned for its intellectual property practice, and we regard it as one of the most important strategic focus areas for our firm.

Dentons has nearly 300 lawyers and professionals in the IP team globally, covering the full range of IP rights, disciplines and applications—both from a contentious and a non-contentious perspective. We distinguish ourselves from the competition through our ability to deliver specialist IP advice across borders with teams in our offices around the globe available to provide you with the cross-border advice you need. In the UK our IP practice works for a stellar roster of household name clients, and we have acted on some of the highest profile IP disputes and non-contentious IP transactions in recent years.

Our team members also boast exceptional breadth of experience and depth of knowledge for patent litigation, having run some of the most important and complex patent litigation in the UK. This is a result of the deep technical understanding that our lawyers in the UK and the US contribute, with many holding degrees in engineering, electrical engineering, physics, computer science, biological science and chemistry.

Turn to Dentons for across-the-board experience in all related IP portfolio management, including:

- Transactional needs
- Legal issues
- Prosecution and litigation, including management, protection, licensing and exploitation of IP portfolios, prosecution of trademark and patent applications
- Brand clearance advice
- Infringement proceedings and other litigation
- Counterfeiting
- Domain names
- Cybersquatting
- Software licensing
- Digital rights management
- Protection of confidential information
- IP-related contractual arrangements

Our UK IP and technology group is home to one of the leading strategic sourcing practices in the country—acting for household names on their bet-the-company IT outsourcing projects—and includes regulatory specialists in all our key industry areas. Our public sector practice in this area is very strong, and our team has worked on some of the largest payment processing deals undertaken in the UK.

In all of these areas, we are able to leverage the knowledge of our firm globally—from Silicon Valley to Moscow—for your benefit; we also get to know and understand you incredibly well at the local level.

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