

Winston & Strawn Recognized in 2015 *IAM Patent 1000* Rankings

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Intellectual Asset Management recently published its 2015 *IAM Patent 1000* rankings, which include Winston & Strawn's intellectual property practice and 20 partners as leaders in patent law.

IAM selected Winston as one of only 25 IP groups ranked internationally, characterizing the firm as "a prime contender ... ideally equipped to help clients navigate the most treacherous legal terrain."

Likewise, in the U.S., *IAM* describe Winston as a "top ... player," selecting it as one of only 30 patent litigation practices recommended nationally. The publication notes that Winston has an uncommonly deep bench of first-chair litigators with the consequence that "the ability to win do-or-die cases at trial is a calling card."

The firm's Illinois, Texas, California, New York, and Washington, D.C. offices were also singled out for regional rankings:

- California: The firm "has made major strides in a short space of time" and "now has potent capabilities in all of its California offices."
- Chicago: "The group is particularly prominent in the life sciences, representing clients in all segments of the pharmaceutical industry. 'That is its trusted by both generic and branded drug manufacturers is testament to its quality,' and enables it to bring uniquely informed strategies to the table."
- Texas: The firm's Texas group "shows no signs of slowing down, even though the overall volume of patent infringement filings may have decreased... (Winston's) Texas squad is firing on all cylinders and finds itself engaged on (its clients') crucial matters."
- New York: *IAM* characterizes the firm's lawyers as "aggressive" and states that they "get great results early through ... no-nonsense motion practice, while also effectively tooling up for trial from the very outset of the dispute."
- Washington, D.C.: Winston "has recently made assertive moves into the high-technology space" and "is currently engaged on a series of hotly contested suits over flash memory technology in the ITC and district courts."

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