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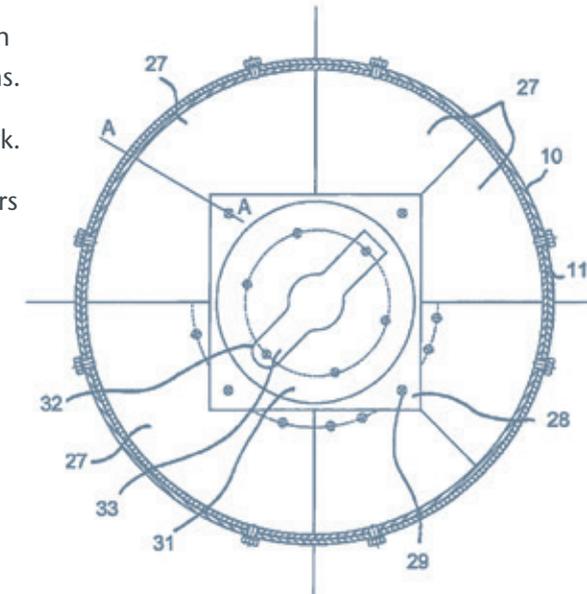
Welcome

Welcome to WSL – your strong partner in all fields of industrial property rights.

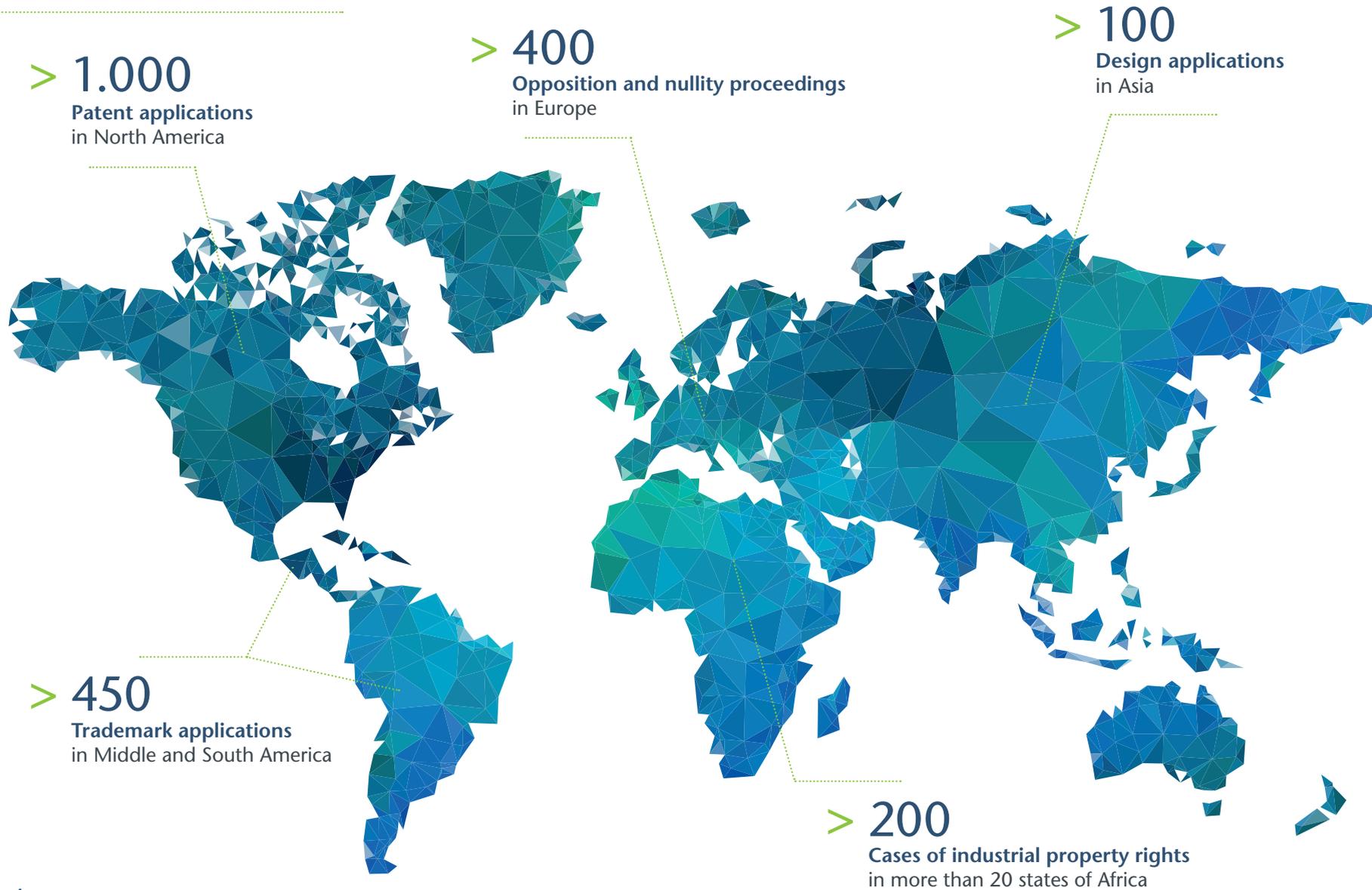
As an international patent law firm based in Wiesbaden, Germany, we provide you with advice regarding all questions concerning patents, utility models, trademarks and designs.

Providing individual and personal service to you is one of the central aspects of our work.

Take advantage of our expertise and experience we have gathered in more than 70 years of providing professional legal advice.



Our network – worldwide



You can count on us as your partner in international projects.

Together with our network of foreign partner law firms spread over all continents, we stand up for your interests.

We have built up our network of partner law firms with great care and by taking into account highest quality standards.

Our expertise

As patent attorneys we act as mediators between technology and law. We support and accompany you as a reliable partner regarding all aspects of industrial property rights. We are at your side, in case you need an initial consultation. Further, with us you can file, defend and enforce your property rights and develop a comprehensive IP strategy.

Patent and utility models

We advise and represent you on all technical fields with excellent expert knowledge and strategic thinking. Our services include: Patent researches and filings, patent prosecution, patent grant and patent monitoring, opposition and nullity proceedings, freedom-to-operate analyses and infringement suits as well as the management of your patent portfolio.

Trademarks and designs

Whatever you need – searches, applications, register monitoring, enforcing your own rights or defending yourself against third-party claims: We advise and represent you individually and competent also in cases of trademark and design rights. Also in this field, we have gathered experience over decades in numerous litigation proceedings.

Mechanics

Mechanical engineering

Electrical engineering

Physics

Software engineering

Inorganic chemistry

Organic chemistry

Pharmacy

Biochemistry and biotechnology

Medicine and medical technology

IP is teamwork

Each of our patent attorneys has graduated from university in a field of natural sciences – including physics, chemistry and biology – and has been working with inventions in a broad variety of different technical fields over years.

To be able to represent you in all matters concerning patents, trademarks, and design rights, we are admitted to practice as registered German Patent Attorneys (Patentanwälte), European Patent Attorneys, and European Trademark and Design Attorneys, such that we can represent your interests before the German Patent and Trade Mark Office (DPMA), the German Federal Patent Court (Bundespateamtgericht) and in nullity proceedings before the German Federal Court of Justice (Bundesgerichtshof), the European Patent Office (EPO) and the European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO), which is responsible for EU trademarks and designs, as well as the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO). In litigation proceedings at civil courts, such as in patent or trademark infringement matters, we are collaborating closely with experienced specialist lawyers.



„With ten patent attorneys, two attorneys at law and more than 25 employees, our team is a strong partner for you to master the challenges occurring in industrial property rights.“

Doris Reis Consultant to the Executive Board / In Employment



“We steadily optimize our work-
flows with the help of our internal
quality management.”

Gesa Buschmann Office Manager / In Employment



Kathleen Wosniak Deputy Office Manager / In Employment



„With our network, we combine regional
roots with international competencies
in order to guarantee a successful and co-
operative partnership for our clients. We
always keep an eye on the optimization
of our processes.“

- Education for mechanics with subsequent professional practice (1985-1988)
 - Studies of physics (specialization: ultrasonic microscopy and atomic physics) in Frankfurt am Main
 - Trained as a patent attorney in Bremen and Munich
 - Patent attorney since 2002
 - Founding member of the patent attorney firm MEHLER ACHLER Patentanwälte
 - Partner at WSL since 2021
- Technical expertise inter alia physics, atomic physics, acoustics, optics, optical media, mechanical engineering, plant engineering, general electrical engineering, telecommunications, automotive engineering, glass technology, fluidics, medical engineering
 - Key activities inter alia patent and utility model applications, trademark applications, design applications, patent grant procedures, opposition proceedings, patent infringement proceedings, license agreements, trade secret protection



„Your idea – our engagement – your right“

- Studies of biology in Munich, Würzburg and Düsseldorf, Germany
- Visiting researcher of the China National Center for Biotechnological Development (CNCBD) at Peking University
- Patent attorney since 2006
- Partner at WSL since 2009
- Technical expertise inter alia biotechnology, pharmacy, medicine and medical technology, organic and inorganic chemistry
- Key activities inter alia patents, trademarks and designs, monitoring conflict between trademarks, trademark opposition proceedings and coexistence agreements



“Every creative achievement deserves to be protected for the person that has made it – whether it is a technical innovation, a characteristic mark, or the distinctive design of a product.”

- Studies of Chemistry in Heidelberg and Munich, Germany
- Doctoral scholarship of Funds of the Chemical Industry
- Excellence Prize of VAA Foundation (VAA Stiftung)
- Patent Attorney since 2019
- Partner at WSL since 2021
- Expertise inter alia inorganic and organic chemistry, polymer and technical chemistry
- Key activities inter alia patent prosecution, opposition proceedings, trademark applications, trademark opposition proceedings



“As your patent attorneys we share your enthusiasm for natural sciences and technology. With our support in obtaining, defending and enforcing intellectual property you can turn your technological leadership deriving from this enthusiasm into an economical advantage.”

- Studies of physics with specialization in magnetism and superconductivity in Darmstadt, Germany and Zurich, Switzerland
- Patent attorney since 2002
- Partner at WSL since 2004
- Technical expertise inter alia mechanical engineering, plastics and packaging technology, optics and mining
- Key activities inter alia patent and utility model applications, patent infringement and nullity proceedings, license agreements, patent strategy consulting



“Investments in research and development are necessary in order to stay competitive. To protect these investments for as long as possible, an individual patent strategy must be developed and pursued.”





- Studies of physics and law in Frankfurt/Main, Germany and St. Andrews, Scotland
- Patent attorney since 2005
- Partner at WSL since 2008
- Specialist fields inter alia optics and optoelectronics, high-frequency and semiconductor technology, industrial metrology, software and mechanical engineering
- Key activities inter alia patent grant proceedings, opposition and nullity proceedings, trademark and design applications, license agreements

“File first, talk afterwards. To follow this rule, it is necessary to repeatedly determine the right point in time to file applications for industrial property rights during the innovation process.”



- Studies of chemistry in Munich, Germany
- Patent attorney for more than 20 years
- Partner at WSL since 2001
- Technical expertise inter alia inorganic and organic chemistry, metallurgy, biochemistry and medical technology
- Key activities inter alia opposition, nullity and patent infringement proceedings, employee invention law



“Our clients can always count on us that we give our best in enforcing their rights – and they have every right to do so.”



„You want to conquer the market or defend your existing market power? With the right strategy regarding patents, trademarks and designs you will be able to do so. We will be glad to assist you – with maximum honesty – and passionate dedication for your goals.“

„You make the invention. We help you to develop it further and to round it off.“

- Studies of physics and geophysics in Mainz, Tokyo (Japan) and Cologne
- Training as a patent attorney in Wiesbaden, Mannheim and Munich
- Patent attorney since 2020
- Partner at WSL since 2022

- Technical expertise inter alia physics, software and data processing, control engineering, packaging technology, ultrasound processing, optics and optoelectronics, electrical engineering, mechanical engineering, space technology
- Key activities inter alia patent and utility model applications, patent grand procedures, opposition proceedings, nullity proceedings, patent infringement proceedings, law of employee inventions, design law

- Studies of physics (specialization: polymer physics) in Mainz
- Trained as a patent attorney in Wiesbaden, Frankfurt and Munich
- Patent attorney since 1988
- Founding member of the patent attorney firm MEHLER ACHLER Patentanwälte
- Of Counsel (freelancer) at WSL since 2021
- Technical expertise inter alia physics, polymer physics, process technology, mechanical engineering, motor vehicle and truck technology, micromechanics, filtration technology, engine bearing technology, glass technology
- Key activities inter alia patent and utility model applications, patent grant procedures, opposition proceedings, nullity proceedings, patent infringement proceedings, law of employee inventions, license agreements, patent strategy advice



Claudia Bettendorf Attorney at Law / Freelancer

„The protection, enforcement and defense of trademarks at national and international level requires competent and creative strategic consultancy taking into account the individual requirements. Clients can rely on this due to our commitment and our experience.“

- Admitted lawyer since 1997
- Since 1997 activities in the field of industrial property rights
- Freelancer at WSL since 2021

- Expertise inter alia Intellectual Property Law, trademark law
- Key activities inter alia trademark applications, filing, research, Trademark monitoring, trademark infringement proceedings, trademark opposition and appeal proceedings, non-use and cancellation proceedings, trademark strategy consultancy, out-of-court and extrajudicial conflict resolution

Dunja Tsoumanis Attorney at Law / In Employment



“A maximum protection of your trademark and design rights does not only require excellent knowledge of the legal requirements and framework conditions for the registration with the offices, but also an interest as well as an understanding for your company, its products, its services and its strategic orientation in the market and competitive environment.“

- Attorney at Law since 2001
- Associate at WSL since 2007
- Expertise inter alia Intellectual Property Law, trademark and design law
- Key activities inter alia trademark strategy consultation, trademark portfolio audits, clearing, trademark and design registration proceedings, coexistence and settlement agreements, property right warnings and trademark oppositions



Niels Tobias Elzenheimer Graduate Engineer (FH)
Patent Engineering, M.Sc. (TU) Mechanical Engineering / In Employment

„As an engineer, I am used to determinedly look for solutions“

- Studies of patent engineering in Amberg-Weiden
- Practical semester in a patent law firm in Valencia, Spain
- Studies of mechanical engineering in Braunschweig

- Activity as patent engineer from 2010 to 2013
- From 2016 to 2021 employed at MEHLER ACHLER Patentanwälte
- Since 2021 employed at WSL
- Patent attorney since 2022
- Technical expertise inter alia mechanical engineering, production and systems engineering, automotive engineering, machine tools, firefighting technology, tractor and agricultural machinery technology, thin films and surface engineering, vapor deposition processes (PVD, CVD, PACVD), tribology
- Key activities inter alia patent and utility model applications, patent grant procedures, opposition proceedings, nullity proceedings, patent infringement proceedings, law of employee inventions, license agreements, patent strategy advice, design law

Dr. Eva-Maria Stübling M.Sc. Physik / In Employment

„We take care of all patent and trademark aspects which arise from your invention and support you with the same attentiveness, individuality and conscientiousness which also underlies your invention, such that you can focus totally on your technical area of expertise“



- Studies of physics (specialization: semiconductor physics and optoelectronics) in Marburg, Germany
- Training as a patent attorney in Wiesbaden and Munich
- Associate at WSL since 2019
- Patent attorney since 2022
- Technical expertise inter alia mechanical engineering, plastics engineering, optics and optoelectronics, high-frequency engineering, semiconductor technology, robotics, restoration methods, construction and rehabilitation
- Key activities inter alia patent and utility model applications, trademark applications, design applications, patent grant procedures, opposition proceedings, patent infringement proceedings, license agreements, trade secret protection

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We are looking forward to hearing
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