

TRADEMARK AND COPYRIGHT LITIGATION

A company's trademark, or "brand," may be one of its most valuable assets. Our attorneys have wide experience in litigating trademark disputes, on behalf of plaintiffs and defendants, both in federal court and administrative proceedings before the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board.

Our lawyers also have experience in dealing with copyright disputes in many fields, including software development, publishing, music, art entertainment, First Amendment, defamation, and privacy. Ongoing technological advances in the areas of content distribution, scanning, data storage, and access control, along with the passage of the Digital Millennium Copyright Act of 1998, combine to make copyright litigation a constantly evolving area of practice.

Our litigation work in the trademark and copyright areas includes the following matters:

- Successfully defending a copyright claim that a band had infringed another party's music
- Successfully defending a software company against a claim that the plaintiff owned the copyright to the software in question
- Successfully defending a claim that a distributor of agricultural products was infringing the trade dress of another company, and obtaining an agreement from the plaintiff to stop infringing the mark of the distributor we represented