

## The IP Beacon 2021 Year in Review

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Welcome! We are pleased to highlight key intellectual property (IP) news from 2021, and some of our representative IP-related client successes and publications over the past year that might be relevant to your business success in 2022.

Our IP department has continued growing and extends across the U.S. with offices in California, Colorado, Illinois, New York, Texas, and Washington, D.C. Our IP team now includes 123 IP lawyers, 12 patent agents, and 2 scientific advisors. We represented clients in 63 *inter partes* review/PTAB proceedings that were filed in 2021, and our patent prosecution team filed more than 2,250 U.S. patent applications and helped issue over 1,600 U.S. patents in 2021 alone. We also helped investigate, negotiate, draft, and close the IP issues in dozens of diligence investigations, financings, M&A transactions, and joint venture/licensing and other contractual arrangements.

We invite you to read on for a review of important IP related cases, updates on some of our firm's IP litigation efforts and key deals, and a few of the awards our intellectual property team is most proud of from 2021.

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