

Ken Parker in Daily Journal: Sweeping Changes Mark Turbulent Year in Patent Law

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Daily Journal quoted Haynes Boone Partner Ken Parker in an article examining significant patent litigation cases in 2018.

Here is an excerpt:

While China's intellectual property legal system had a fairly poor reputation 20 years ago for providing no substantial means to enforce patents and a general lack of transparency on legal matters, patent attorney Kenneth G. Parker of Haynes Boone said the perception around China has changed dramatically.

"Over the past four to five years, folks have sat up and taken notice," Parker said. "Patent litigation cases are very viable over there; it seems to be a fair system."

Parker said another big shift in patent litigation this year has been the appointment of [Andrei] Iancu as director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and the institutional changes he has made at the Patent Trial and Appeal Board -- most notably, the new inclination toward denying successive petitions in *inter partes* review.

"He's making a lot of changes that are swinging the pendulum a little bit back in favor of patent owners, not drastically but to some extent," Parker said. ...

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