

## Haynes and Boone Ranked as Leading Firm in 2020 IPR Intelligence Report

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**PRACTICES** Intellectual Property, Patents, Patent Prosecution and Counseling, Patent Litigation, Patent Office Trials

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Haynes Boone and eight of its lawyers are included in the 2020 edition of Patexia Inc.'s IPR Intelligence Report on the nation's leaders in *inter partes* review (IPR) proceedings before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB). Among the report's highlights, Haynes Boone ranked as the **7th most active firm for petitioners** at the PTAB (up from 10th in 2019) and one of the **top ten best performing firms** overall.

Eight Haynes Boone lawyers ([Jonathan Bowser](#), [Andrew Ehmke](#), [Theo Foster](#), [Eugene Goryunov](#), [Gregory Huh](#), [David McCombs](#), [David O'Brien](#) and [David O'Dell](#)) were ranked among the top 100 in various "most active" and "best performing" categories. Overall, the firm was listed among the nation's top 20 law firms in four separate "best performing firm" and "most active firm" categories.

The 2020 IPR Intelligence Report covers more than 7,700 IPR cases for the last five years (July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2020). Patexia analyzed about 5,000 unique patents and more than 80,000 unique claims challenged over the last five years to come up with the performance scores for all attorneys, law firms and companies on the patent owner and petitioner sides.

"We are proud to once again be featured prominently in Patexia's IPR Intelligence Report," said Partner David O'Brien, who leads the firm's Patent Office Trials Practice Group and serves as lead counsel for leading technology companies in IPR and other post-grant trials before the PTAB. "These rankings demonstrate both the strength and depth of our PTAB trial practice."

Here is the breakdown of the rankings, which include many of the same names from previous rankings:

### Top 100 most active attorneys representing petitioners

- McCombs ranked 6th, with 122 petitioner cases. McCombs is primary counsel for many leading corporations in IPR, reexamination, and concurrent patent litigation in the federal courts and before the U.S. Patent Office's (USPTO's) Patent Trial and Appeal Board.
- Goryunov ranked 14th, with 93 petitioner cases. Goryunov represents clients in complex patent matters involving diverse technologies and regularly serves as first-chair trial counsel in post-grant review trials on behalf of both Petitioners and Patent Owners at the USPTO.
- Ehmke ranked 35th, with 64 petitioner cases. Ehmke is primary counsel for many high-profile technology companies in IPR proceedings before the PTAB. His practice spans nearly 20 years.
- Foster ranked 44th, with 58 petitioner cases. Foster, a partner who started at the firm 12 years ago, represents both petitioners and patent owners in IPR challenges and other post-grant proceedings before the Office.

- Huh ranked 47th, with 57 petitioner cases. Huh is a partner who actively represents a wide variety of clients in complex and disputed matters.
- Bowser ranked 80th, with 41 petitioner cases. Bowser's practice focuses on patent litigation disputes before the PTAB and federal district courts.
- O'Dell ranked 91st, with 39 petitioner cases. O'Dell is chair of the Patent Trials and Counseling Practice with more than 20 years of experience as a patent lawyer, including participating in IPR, negotiating patent licenses, and preparing and prosecuting patent applications.

## **Top 100 Most Active Attorneys overall (representing petitioners or patent owners)**

- Goryunov ranked 15th, with 146 cases.
- McCombs ranked 18th, with 131 cases.

## **Top 100 most active attorneys representing patent owners**

- Goryunov ranked 46th, with 53 cases.

## **Top 100 best performing attorneys representing petitioners**

- Foster ranked 22nd, with a score of 73.7%.
- O'Dell ranked 26th, with a score of 72.8%.
- Ehmke ranked 61st, with a score of 61.9%.
- O'Brien ranked 70th, with a score of 59.9%.
- McCombs ranked 74th, with a score of 59.5%.

## **Top 100 best performing attorneys (representing petitioners or patent owners)**

- Foster ranked 12th, with a score of 83.5%.
- McCombs ranked 31st, with a score of 70.8%.
- Ehmke ranked 51st, with a score of 65.1%.
- O'Dell ranked 69th, with a score of 59.0%.

Haynes Boone was also ranked in the following categories:

- 10th among Top 100 best performing firms overall, with a score of 89.8%.
- 13th among Top 100 best performing firms representing petitioners, with a score of 86.6%.
- 61st among Top 100 best performing firms representing patent owners, with a score of 56.9%.
- 7th among Top 100 most active firms representing petitioners, with 228 cases.
- 13th among Top 100 most active firms overall, with 251 cases.
- 92nd among Top 100 most active firms representing patent owners, with 23 cases.

Haynes Boone's Intellectual Property (IP) Practice is a full-service practice including patent procurement, litigation and trial proceedings before the PTAB, where we are nationally recognized for our successes in both defending our client's patent intellectual property and invalidating claims that are asserted against our clients but never should have been issued by the USPTO. These PTAB trial proceedings include IPR, covered business method (CBM) review, post-grant review (PGR), and other proceedings before the PTAB.

Haynes Boone is an international corporate law firm with offices in Texas, New York, California, Charlotte, Chicago, Denver, Washington, D.C., London, Mexico City and Shanghai, providing a full spectrum of legal services in energy, technology, financial services and private equity. With more

than 575 lawyers, Haynes Boone is ranked among the largest U.S.-based firms by *The National Law Journal*, *The American Lawyer* and *The Lawyer*. The firm has also been recognized across the board for excellence in the BTI Consulting Group's 2020 "A-Team" report, which identifies the law firms that in-house counsel commend for providing superior client service.