

Purvi Patel Albers, Jeff Becker, David McCombs Listed in WIPR Leaders Directory 2022

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World IP Review has listed Haynes Boone Partners [Purvi Patel Albers](#), [Jeff Becker](#) and [David McCombs](#) among the world's leading technology, trademark, life sciences, and patent lawyers for 2022.

The release of the 2022 [WIPR Leaders Directory](#) follows a four-month nomination period in which WIPR sought views from 12,000 IP professionals and vetted every nominated lawyer for suitability by exploring their practice history, industry expertise and notable cases, as well as any additional activities, such as writing and teaching responsibilities. See the WIPR listing of technology leaders [here](#), trademark leaders [here](#), life sciences leaders [here](#), and patent leaders [here](#).

Albers is a member of Haynes Boone's board of directors and serves as trusted adviser and counsel to Fortune 500 companies and high-growth ventures on the management of their valuable brand investments. Her primary practice focus includes: U.S. and foreign trademark clearance, protection and enforcement strategy; U.S. and foreign trademark and internet enforcement, including oppositions, cancellations and Uniform Dispute Resolution Proceedings (UDRP) disputes; social media counseling and enforcement; and copyright, trade dress, non-traditional trademark and customs counseling and enforcement. *Managing IP* named her among the Top 250 Women in IP in 2022. And in 2021, *World IP Review* featured Albers in its list of "Influential Women in IP."

Becker is one of only 11 U.S. trademark attorneys who has been repeatedly, nationally recognized by *World Trademark Review's* WTR 1000, Globe Publishing, Ltd. (2011-2022), for his experience in trademark law and for having the rare combination of both "Prosecution and Strategy" and "Enforcement and Litigation" skill. Becker served as the chair of the firm's Trademark Practice Group for over a decade, and prior to that served as head of the firm's IP and Technology Transactions Section. He focuses his practice on the legal aspects of brand management, including clearing their marks for use, registering those marks in the U.S. and abroad, managing domain name acquisitions, commercializing marks through licenses and merchandising agreements, assessing infringement risks, enforcing their trademark rights against others and defending them against allegations of infringement.

McCombs is primary counsel for many leading corporations in *inter partes* review (IPR) and is regularly identified as one of the most active attorneys appearing before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB). His practice spans 35 years and includes appellate argument, patent litigation, and portfolio development. McCombs is described as "one of the best, not just of patent practitioners but practitioners generally" and lauded as "extremely organized, responsive, thoughtful, and calm." (*Chambers Global 2020*). In addition: "He's excellent on the IPR front." (*Chambers USA 2022*).

All three partners were also just recognized (individually) in the 2022 edition of *Chambers USA*: Albers for Intellectual Property: Trademark, Copyright, and Trade Secrets (Texas); Becker for

Intellectual Property: Trademark, Copyright, and Trade Secrets (Texas); and McCombs for Intellectual Property (USA - Nationwide) and Intellectual Property (Texas).