

Ruud van der Velden

Partner

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Biography

Ruud van der Velden has over 15 years experience in multi-jurisdictional patent and trade secret litigation. He litigates before all Courts in the Netherlands and the EPO. He represents companies in all technological fields, with a particular focus on the high tech and life sciences industries.

Ruud has an excellent track record in complicated cases. Examples include obtaining a cross-border patent infringement injunction at a time this was considered impossible, successfully enforcing a second medical use patent that was revoked in almost every other jurisdiction, and seizing evidence in a logistical warehouse in the Netherlands in absence of a patent in force in the Netherlands, which evidence was pivotal in securing injunctions in Germany. The latter is a good example of how Ruud works together with his patent litigation colleagues in other countries in order to develop an overall winning strategy.

Besides litigation, Ruud also works with clients on their patent and trade secret protection strategies, in order to improve their success in the market and, if necessary, in court. He regularly lectures and publishes on patent and trade secret topics. He has received the Dutch AIPPI award for his publication on obtaining evidence of patent infringement.



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Languages

English
Dutch
German

Practices

Intellectual Property

Patents

Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology
Regulatory

Trade Secrets and Confidential
Know-how

IP Litigation, Arbitration, and
Alternative Dispute Resolution

Ruud is recommended by Chambers, Legal 500, Managing IP, Who's Who Legal and IAM Patent 1000 and has received Client Choice Awards for trade secret and patent litigation. Chambers Global states: "Ruud van der Velden is recommended as a "very strong patent litigator" who is building an impressive practice. Clients describe him as "very detail-oriented and proactive" and praise his independence."

Representative experience

Representing Nikon in over twenty patent infringement proceedings against ASML and Zeiss relating to lithography and camera technology, which led to a settlement between the parties

Obtaining an injunction for Merck in patent infringement proceedings against Mylan relating to the second a medical use patent for Finasteride 1 mg

Representing HTC in patent infringement proceedings initiated by Nokia, which led to a settlement between the parties

Defending OrbusNeich against patent infringement claims relating to its rapid exchange catheter, resulting in revocation of Boston Scientific's patent

Representing Du Pont in the successful defence of the first paediatric SPC extension in the Netherlands

Advising companies in various industries on their trade secret protection regimes

Representing a Honeywell subsidiary in trade secret proceedings leading to the termination of the defendant's business activities

Seizing chemical samples in a Dutch logistical warehouse in absence of a Dutch patent, which evidence was pivotal in securing injunctions for Solvay against Neo in Germany

Industries

Energy and Natural Resources

Life Sciences and Health Care

Consumer

Technology and Telecoms

Areas of focus

IP Licensing, Commercialization, and Technology Transfer

IP Rights in Transactions

Medical Devices

Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology

Education and admissions

Education

Master's degree, Tilburg University, 2004

Memberships

AIPPI

EPLAW

VIEPA

Bar admissions and qualifications

Amsterdam

Accolades

Obtaining a cross-border injunction covering the Netherlands and Germany shortly after a CJEU decision that was believed to have ended the availability of cross-border relief in Europe

Successfully defending Statoil spin-off EMGS in patent revocation proceedings initiated by Schlumberger relating to deep sea oil exploration technology

Awards and rankings

- Information Technology (Netherlands), Recommended, *Legal 500 EMEA*, 2020
- Managing IP: Patent Star, 2019 - present
- Client Choice Award for Patents, 2019
- Who's Who Legal, 2018 - present
- Client Choice Award for Trade Secrets, 2018
- Intellectual Property: Patents, Next Generation, *Legal 500 EMEA*, 2017 - present
- Chambers Global, 2017 - present
- Chambers Europe, 2017 - present
- IAM Patent 1000, 2015 - present
- LMG Rising Stars, 2015 - 2018
- Dutch AIPPI (VIE) award, 2011
- Gouden Zandloper award, 2008

Latest thinking and events

- Webinar
 - Select IP with Hogan Lovells | Webinar no. 4 'Trade secrets: Overview of multi-jurisdictional trade secret protection (Part I)'
- Webinar
 - 2020 SEPs and FRAND Year in Review
- Insights
 - Dutch Court: Patentee liable against health insurer for patent enforcement against generic

"A champion" in defending the interests of clients, Ruud van der Velden "always catches the key aspects of problems and makes very wise assessments. Above everything, he is a really hard worker who makes you feel incredibly comfortable about the matters he manages".

IAM Patent 1000

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Chambers Global

"he is in hot demand as a counsellor and litigator, given his specialist knowledge of cross-border injunctions and evidentiary seizures"

IAM Patent 1000

"Rising Star"

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