

Dr. Benjamin Schröer

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Biography

Benjamin Schröer has proven to be a creative IP litigator who thinks "out of the box" to create solutions for his clients which make a difference in practice. In the first years of his professional career, he developed an entirely new approach on how to litigate product piracy cases for brand owners. This approach, which was later adopted by the German Federal Supreme Court in the so-called "CONVERSE I" decision, strongly facilitated his client's fight against counterfeit products.

Benjamin focuses on patent litigation, where he advises and represents clients in infringement and nullity proceedings. His strengths lie not only in his legal knowledge but also on his eagerness to understand the details of technology involved in his cases to be able to discuss technical questions at eye level with his clients.

Over the last few years, Benjamin has gained vast experience, in particular, in the telecommunication, automotive and mechanical engineering industry. He has also worked for clients in the medical device and life science industry. The idea to establish a Unified Patent Court (UPC) and a Unitary Patent for Europe fascinated Benjamin from the outset. He started familiarizing himself with this project early and now he can barely wait to use his in-depth knowledge of the UPC in practice and is therefore looking forward to the start of this new system.



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Languages

English
German

Benjamin studied law at the Ludwig-Maximilians-University in Munich and graduated as the 7th best among 1,091 candidates in the state of Bavaria. As a stipendiary of the German Research Foundation, he was a member of the IP doctorate program of the University of Bayreuth where he wrote his doctoral thesis (summa cum laude) about certain aspects of unfair competition law. In 2013, Benjamin worked for several months in our London office.

Representative experience

Representing a leading global technology company in infringement and nullity proceedings in major cross-border patent litigation regarding 3G and 4G SEPs against Ericsson.

Representing BlackBerry in patent infringement and nullity proceedings against Nokia.

Representing Texas Instruments in patent infringement proceedings regarding SEPs against a non-practicing entity.

Representing one of the world's leading automotive suppliers in patent infringement and nullity proceedings against competitors.

Representing Bobst Mex S.A. in several patent infringement proceedings in the area of mechanical engineering against competitors.

Representing a leading manufacturer of products for breastfeeding mothers in complex patent infringement and nullity proceedings against competitors.

Representing various clients from inter alia the automotive, mechanical engineering and medical device industry in (patent) inspection proceedings.

Representing various clients from inter alia the automotive industry in (patent) preliminary injunctions proceedings.

Practices

Complex Contracting
Designs
Intellectual Property
Litigation Services
Medical Device and Technology
Regulatory
Patents
Trade Secrets and Confidential
Know-how
Trademarks and Brands

Industries

Automotive
Consumer
Life Sciences and Health Care
TMT

Areas of focus

Fashion and Luxury Brands
IP Licensing, Commercialization,
and Technology Transfer
IP Litigation, Arbitration, and
Alternative Dispute Resolution
IP Rights in Transactions
Medical Devices
Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology
Post-Grant Proceedings
Retail and Consumer Goods

Education and

Awards and rankings

- Recommended lawyer Intellectual Property: Patent Litigation (Germany), *Chambers Global*, 2018-2019
- Recommended lawyer for Patent law: dispute resolution, *Legal 500 EMEA*, 2019
- Recommended lawyer for Infringement, *IAM Patent 1000*, 2019

Latest thinking and events

- News
 - German Federal Court of Justice decides first FRAND case post Huawei vs ZTE - "Sisvel vs Haier"
- Insights
 - Standard Essential Patent Update – March 2020
- Insights
 - Standard Essential Patent Update – November 2019 (English, 日本語, 한국어)
- News
 - TMT Horizons 2019
- Insights
 - Hogan Lovells' Standard Essential Patent Update – May 2019
- Insights
 - Hogan Lovells' Standard Essential Patent Update – February 2019

admissions

Education

Dr. iur., University of Bayreuth
First State Exam in Law, LMU Munich (Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München)

Accolades

Benjamin Schröer has assisted with some of the firm's most prominent patent litigation and his input has been well received by clients. One source states: "I was extremely surprised by his technical knowledge; I rarely see that in a litigator."
