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Every client is different – and so is every attorney

Each client faces its own specific legal circumstances.

The patent and legal attorneys at ROTHKOPF take great care in analyzing these circumstances.

They can then give their clients comprehensive, thorough and appropriate advice.

The firm's attorneys have the technical qualifications, professional experience and specialist knowledge in the legal area to be able to offer individual advice in this way.

The technical qualifications of our associates range from engineering to graduate chemist. Our patent attorneys have many years of experience working in specialist technical fields.

ROTHKOPF is a firm specializing in patent, trademark and design law and is able to tailor its advice to the individual client concerned.

Our clients include:

- Company IP departments
- Companies that do not have their own patent attorneys
- Foreign attorneys
- Legal attorneys
- Universities and research centers
- Advertising agencies, commerce and banks

in Germany,
in Europe
and worldwide

**Our team of experts
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OUTTASKING adds value to your company

For those wishing to subcontract individual IP processes, ROTHKOPF is a skilled, cost-conscious and reliable partner.

We can take care of any searches, applications, submissions, expert reports, etc. for you.

We can represent your company in individual proceedings and in joint proceedings with affiliated companies.

We will happily conclude a framework contract with you in which we are responsible for ensuring quality standards.

OUTTASKING means that you can organize your whole IP portfolio at minimal operational expense.

You can concentrate on your core areas of expertise, developing your company's IP strategy.

ROTHKOPF will take care of the work surrounding it, but you will retain control of the overall process, adding value to your company.

Our know-how is founded in practice rather than just theory, many of our patent attorneys having worked for many years in industry.

Make the most of their technical experience and legal expertise.

We offer the following services to company IP departments:

- Drawing up reports
- Preparing patent applications
- Responding to examiners' decisions
- Drawing up grounds for opposition and counterstatements in opposition proceedings
- Preparing expert reports on the validity or infringement of patents

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»Those who invent nothing come to nothing. Those who patent nothing gain nothing.«

Erich Otto Häußer, former President of the German Patent and Trademark Office

70 % of the value added to medium-sized companies in Germany is based on intangible assets, in other words ideas. We protect these ideas by securing patent, trademark and design rights.

ROTHKOPF can advise and assist your company in developing and expanding its patent, trademark and design portfolio.

Our patent and legal attorneys can represent you in all industrial property matters, and help you to assert your rights and put your competitors in their place.

We can represent your interests, for example, in negotiating licenses.

Many of the patent attorneys at ROTHKOPF themselves spent many years in industry. Your company can benefit from this practical experience.

ROTHKOPF works in collaboration with German and foreign attorneys to protect your interests in Germany, in Europe and worldwide.

We offer companies that do not have their own patent attorneys comprehensive advice in the following areas:

- Patent law
- Trademark law
- Design law
- Searches and expert reports (Freedom to Operate, Due Diligence, IPO)
- Monitoring property rights and competitors
- Exploitation strategies, licenses and franchise agreements
- Employee invention law

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A warm welcome to all of our foreign colleagues!

ROTHKOPF works in collaboration with patent and legal attorneys from all over the world.

This mainly involves representing clients before the German authorities and the European Patent Office, such as in opposition proceedings, the regionalization of international patent applications and the validation of European patents.

Our Munich office is a stone's throw from the European Patent Office and the German Patent and Trademark Office, both of which also have branches in Berlin near our office there. Such short

distances make for a prompt and efficient service.

ROTHKOPF provides expert advice, particularly in the area of German and European patent, trademark, design and licensing law.

Our attorneys usually work behind the scenes and only actually meet the client concerned if requested to do so.

Getting the desired result for your clients through this cooperative action requires real teamwork, openness and loyalty, values that are very important to ROTHKOPF.

We offer our foreign colleagues the following services:

Representation before the German authorities and the European Patent Office

Expert advice on:

- Patent law
- Trademark law
- Design law
- Licensing law
- Employee invention law
- Property right infringements in Germany

Searches in German databases

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Legal attorneys need us too

The attorneys at ROTHKOPF offer advice to legal attorneys in all areas of industrial property.

To help your clients, why not take advantage of our industrial experience and our considerable experience in patent, trademark, design and licensing law.

ROTHKOPF will provide you with advice behind the scenes. Only if requested to do so will our patent and legal attorneys actually speak to your clients directly.

In infringement proceedings, our patent attorneys will appear alongside legal attorneys before regional courts. Patent attorneys are also entitled to represent clients before the Federal Patent Court and the Federal Supreme Court.

Only by working together can we ensure that your clients get the result they want. This is our highest priority.

We offer legal attorneys the following services:

Expert advice on:

- Patent law
- Trademark law
- Design law
- Licensing law
- Employee invention law
- Property right infringements

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Universities and research centers are hotbeds of innovation

Ideas should be protected and used by establishing a special property right and exploitation strategy for research.

This property right strategy focuses on protecting inventions that could potentially be exploited.

The exploitation strategy centers around generating income by licensing or selling property rights.

This income provides funds for further research and other property rights.

By exploiting these ideas, know-how is transferred from the research sector to the business sector.

At the same time, protecting ideas secures the financial interests of the universities and research centers.

ROTHKOPF will help you develop your own property right strategy and will look after you and represent you during its implementation.

Based on our considerable industrial experience, we have plenty of tips and advice to help you develop your exploitation strategy.

We offer universities and research centers the following services:

- Development and implementation of property right and exploitation strategies
- Preparing searches
- Drawing up patent applications
- Representation in opposition, appeal and revocation proceedings
- Assistance in infringement proceedings
- Legal advice on patents, trademarks and designs
- Expert advice on licenses, use agreements and know-how contracts

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You come up with the trademarks – we'll protect them

ROTHKOPF can offer expert advice on trademark law to advertising agencies and any companies dealing with product names, logos, slogans, labels and company names.

This advice often starts off with a corresponding search while a trademark is still at the development stage in order to ensure that the new trademark will not infringe anyone else's rights.

ROTHKOPF will also, under favorable terms, take care of the entire trademark application procedure,

enabling you, the trademark designer, to provide a good allround service to your clients.

The attorneys at ROTHKOPF will also be happy to provide prompt and direct answers to any questions you may have.

Our advice to all those involved in advertising is given with an eye on the future and with the aim of establishing a successful long-term strategy.

We offer advertising agencies, commerce and banks the following services:

- Legal assistance in developing trademarks
- Searches
- Acquiring trademark rights
- Monitoring competitors
- Assistance in the event of dispute

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Thank you for the trust you have shown

Trust and responsibility form the basis of any working relationship.

Any client asking for work to be done has to be able to trust that this work will always be carried out to its complete satisfaction.

Whoever is doing the work is responsible for ensuring that it is always carried out to the client's complete satisfaction.

It sounds easy, but always acting responsibly and gaining the trust of your client can be a real challenge.

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A reliable partner,
winning your trust.

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