

# Banner & Witcoff, seven attorneys recognized for patent prosecution in 2017 edition of Legal 500

Banner & Witcoff is recognized as a top firm in patent prosecution in the United States in the 2017 edition of the *Legal 500*.

Joseph J. Berghammer, Michael J. Harris, Robert S. Katz, Erik S. Maurer, Christopher L. McKee, Joseph M. Potenza and Christopher J. Renk were highlighted for their work in patent prosecution in the 2017 edition.

According to *Legal 500*:

Banner & Witcoff, Ltd.'s team is praised for its '*deep knowledge and pragmatic approach*'. It handles a high volume of design patents for household names, including Microsoft and Nike, which the group has been assisting for decades in procuring a large number of design patents. A team from Chicago including Christopher Renk, Erik Maurer and Michael Harris successfully represented Nike in defending five IPRs filed by Skechers regarding design patents owned by Nike. The '*excellent*' Joseph Berghammer, also in Chicago, is acting for YETI Coolers in four IPRs filed by RTIC Coolers and a parallel district court proceeding for patent and trade dress infringement. In Washington DC, Robert Katz is highly recommended for his expertise in procuring and enforcing design patents, and Christopher McKee and Joseph Potenza are recommended for post-grant proceedings.

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