Microsoft Hits Kyocera for Alleged Phone Patent Infringement

NEWS

In a complaint filed Friday in Seattle federal court, Microsoft claims Kyocera infringes its patents with three of Kyocera's lower-cost Android phones, reports ArsTechnica.

Former Google Exec Will Lead U.S. Patent Office

NEWS

The U.S. Senate has confirmed former Google executive Michelle Lee to head the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, a position that has been vacant for more than two years, reports Reuters.

Existence of a License Depends on Terms of a Contract

NEWS

The Third U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals has ruled that, under the terms of a contract, Walt Disney Studios Motion Picture

Production and its affiliates did not acquire a perpetual worldwide license to use patents to convert conventional films into 3D.

Launching Site or Other Advertising Alone is Not Service Mark 'Use'

NEWS

For the first time, the Federal Circuit directly addressed whether the advertising or offering of a service, without the actual provision of the service, constitutes use in commerce for a service mark, reports McCarter & English.

Comcast Promotes Arthur R. Block to EVP, General Counsel

NEWS

Comcast Corporation has announced the promotion of Arthur R. Block to Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of Comcast Corporation.

Texas Jury Returns $58.7 Million Trade Secret, Exemplary Damages Verdict for TAOS Inc.

NEWS

Law firm Munck Wilson Mandala announced a $58.7 million trade secret misappropriation, breach of contract, patent infringement and tortious interference verdict for firm client Texas Advanced Optoelectronic Solutions Inc. in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas.

McGinnis Lochridge Adds Oil and Gas Transactional Team

NEWS

McGinnis Lochridge has announced that Jeffrey Beck, Austin Brister and Ian McNeill have been named to the firm’s oil and gas transactional team.

Veteran U.S. Brokerage Lawyer

McKay to Join Barclays

NEWS

Reuters is reporting that Kevin McKay, who began his Wall Street legal career in 1978 at E.F. Hutton, will join Barclays PLC’s wealth and investment management division in the Americas next month as general counsel, a company spokeswoman said.

Simon Greenstone Panatier Bartlett Adds Trial Lawyer Ron McCallum

NEWS

Dallas-based Simon Greenstone Panatier Bartlett, PC, a nationally recognized trial law firm, is announcing the addition of trial attorney Ron C. McCallum in the firm’s Catastrophic Personal Injury & Wrongful Death section.

Sarah Ames Elected to Board of Hamlin Fistula USA

NEWS

The national law firm of Quarles & Brady LLP announced today that Chicago partner Sarah Ames has been elected to the board

of Hamlin Fistula USA.

Law Rocks 2015 World Tour Kick Off: Lawyers by Day, Rock Stars by Night

NEWS

Law Rocks USA, the nonprofit organization that hosts a series of epic fundraising concerts comprised entirely of bands made up of legal professionals, will be kicking off its U.S. concert series March 6 and 13 in Los Angeles.

Hogan Lovells Expands NY Office with Addition of Finance Partner Ron Silverman

NEWS

Hogan Lovells has announced that Ron Silverman has joined its Finance practice as a Business Restructuring and Insolvency partner.

New Contract Management Software Video Goes Online

NEWS

Berkman Solutions has posted a video provideing an introduction to contract management software and the company's product, Contract Analyst.

Jonathan Bing to Lead Wilson Elser's NYC Government Affairs Practice

NEWS

National law firm Wilson Elser appointed Partner Jonathan L. Bing, a former New York State assemblyman and Governor Cuomo appointee, to head of the New York City Government Affairs practice.

Apple, Google Workers Head to Court on $415M Poaching Settlement

NEWS

Workers accusing Apple, Google and two other Silicon Valley

companies of conspiring to hold down salaries were trying Monday to win approval of a $415 million settlement from a U.S. judge who rejected an earlier deal as too low, Reuters reported.

Deutsche Bank Names Steven Reich General Counsel for Americas

NEWS

Deutsche Bank AG has named Steven F. Reich, a former official at the U.S. Department of Justice and attorney for former President Bill Clinton, as its general counsel for the Americas.

Quarles & Brady Partners Receive International Client Choice Award

NEWS

Three partners from national law firm Quarles & Brady received the 2015 Client Choice award from Lexology and the International Law Office. This award is given to only one attorney from a given practice area, and well over 2,500 attorneys were nominated this past year.

Sherrie Farrell Named a Michigan Chronicle 2015 Women of Excellence Honoree

NEWS

Sherrie Farrell, Managing Member of Dykema's Detroit office, has been recognized by The Michigan Chronicle as a 2015 Woman of Excellence.

Fish & Richardson Named #1 PTAB Law Firm

NEWS

Fish & Richardson has been named the number one most active law firm at the Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB) for 2014. Fish represented clients in 154 proceedings

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Man Claims to Own Bluetooth, Scores $15.7M Verdict Against

Samsung

NEWS

A federal court jury in Marshall, Texas, found in favor of Rembrandt IP in a patent infringement case, finding that Samsung’s Bluetooth-enabled products, including its most popular cell phones, tablets, and televisions, infringe Gordon Bremer’s patents.