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FTI Consulting's Intellectual Property ("IP") Services group is one of the largest teams of professionals, dedicated to intellectual property matters, located throughout the U.S. and operating throughout the world. We regularly provide litigation support and damages quantification, intellectual property valuation, and licensing and commercialization consulting. Our professionals have deep industry experience assessing damages in all areas of intellectual property disputes — patent, copyright, trademark, false advertising, unfair competition, and trade secret misappropriation matters.



[Goodwin](#) has one of the most comprehensive, technology-focused trade secret and employee mobility practices in the nation. Our team is comprised of [intellectual property](#), [employment law](#), [privacy and cybersecurity](#) and [business litigation](#) specialists with extensive experience representing former employers, current employers and individual employees in trade secret and employee mobility matters.

WHAT WE DO

Strategic Counseling: Goodwin lawyers prepare policies and draft and implement restrictive covenants agreements regarding noncompetition, nondisclosure and nonsolicitation provisions in employee agreements. Trade secret issues often come into sharpest focus when an employee leaves one company to start another or work for a competitor. Such cases raise trade secret issues for all parties involved. We advise clients on the identification of trade secrets and other protectable information, and the establishment, maintenance and enforcement of programs to protect this information.

Trade Secret and Employee Mobility Litigation: Trade secret and employee mobility litigation has increased exponentially in recent years. Because of the relative ease with which proprietary information can be transferred, the risk of misappropriated trade secrets is a constant threat. . We understand the threat, and move immediately to develop and implement creative risk mitigation strategies to drive efficient, successful outcomes.

Transactions: When investors consider funding a new startup, or when a small company needs to prepare for attracting venture capital, or when companies consider a merger or acquisition, conducting diligence on trade secret issues is often a necessary component. We routinely undertake deal diligence, identify risks and propose creative solutions to resolve trade secret concerns.



[Seyfarth's](#) Trade Secrets, Computer Fraud & Non-Compete attorneys help clients protect their intellectual capital by advising on how to avoid trade secret misappropriation and by aggressively litigating when a violation occurs. Our attorneys help clients run their businesses more effectively by keeping them apprised of important developments in trade secrets law, including changes that necessitate new agreements or revised employee onboarding and separation procedures, via our award-winning blog www.tradesecretslaw.com.

We have experience representing clients in every industry, including technology, manufacturing, retail, food and beverage, health care, biotech, medical devices, pharmaceutical, financial services, insurance, logistics, and automotive. Our attorneys have handled hundreds of actions in state and federal courts throughout the country. Our experience representing both companies and employees as plaintiffs and as defendants gives us a balanced, practical approach to delivering effective solutions to our clients. In the last decade, our team has handled more than 150 trade secret cases, either under the federal Defend Trade Secrets Act or under state law. Robert Milligan, Seyfarth partner and co-chair of the Trade Secrets, Computer Fraud & Non-Competes practice, and Erik Weibust, Seyfarth partner, are both participating in The Sedona Conference on Developing Guidelines for Trade Secret Issues.

Steptoe

[Steptoe's](#) US and International [Intellectual Property](#) practice enforces, protects, and develops the intellectual property rights and assets of clients in a wide range of industries. We understand clients' top priorities, including successfully litigating or resolving matters, responsiveness and efficiency.

In a business environment in which employee mobility and the proliferation of tech start-ups are the norm, trade secret misappropriation and misappropriation claims continue to rise. Our team has successfully litigated some of the largest, most complex, and highest profile trade secret cases in the US over the last several years.

Our trade secrets litigators have significant experience advocating for our clients in a variety of forums – in the courtroom, before the International Trade Commission (ITC), or through alternative dispute resolution. We are adept in litigating claims for misappropriation of trade secrets and confidential information, claims related to confidentiality agreements, covenants not to compete, and licenses, and claims under federal statutes which proscribe misappropriation and "hacking" activities such as the Computer Fraud and Abuse Act and the Electronic Communications Privacy Act.



[Stout](#) is a global investment bank and advisory firm specializing in corporate finance, valuation, financial disputes, and investigations. We serve a range of clients, from public corporations to privately held companies in numerous industries. For more than 30 years, our clients and their advisors rely on our premier expertise, deep industry knowledge, and unparalleled responsiveness on complex matters.

Stout's Intellectual Property (IP) practice is the only fully integrated team of valuation professionals, damages experts, compliance professionals, investment bankers, and technical experts with the ability to execute a full spectrum of IP services. Stout's experts have decades of experience assisting clients to fully understand, monitor, defend, and monetize the value of IP assets, including patents, trademarks, trade dress, brand assets, trade secrets, copyrights, license agreements, Standard Essential Patents (SEPs), know-how, right of publicity, and more.