Recognized by *Chambers USA, IAM Patent 1000, U.S. News Best Law Firms* and *The Legal 500 U.S.*, Pillsbury’s Patent team is highly regarded in all aspects of patent prosecution, optimization, enforcement and protection.

Pillsbury secures broad patent protection for domestic and international organizations. We file 3,900+ patent applications and obtain nearly 1,600 patents for clients annually, manage thousands of domestic and international patents and help optimize patent value through licensing arrangements. Our team comprises professional engineers, scientists and lawyers with advanced degrees in electrical, mechanical and chemical engineering, biology, chemistry, physics, and computer science. We also employ former patent examiners from the USPTO, patent agents and technical consultants, all under the supervision of our lawyers, to create outstanding work product in a cost-effective manner.

With offices in key business centers and an extensive network of handpicked international IP lawyers, we secure worldwide patent protection. Pillsbury utilizes the latest technology, including an advanced online tracking system and customized extranet to provide real-time information and at-a-glance reports to help clients easily manage their patent portfolios. Further, our patent litigators have an impressive record of success in federal and state courts and before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board and the International Trade Commission.

- Prosecution
  - Preparing and Prosecuting Patent Applications in the United States and Abroad
  - Arranging for Patentability, State-of-the-Art, Infringement and Invalidity Searches
Advising a multinational bank in all IP matters worldwide, including patent, trademark, copyright, licensing, IP diligence, IP agreements, monetization, domain names, and handling patent and trademark litigation and opposition matters.

- Securing Electrical, Mechanical, Chemical, Pharmaceutical, Biotech and Computer Science Patents
- Design Patents
- Utility Patents
- Reissue Patents
- Counseling
  - Rendering Legal Opinions on the Strengths and Weaknesses of Patents
  - Advising on Patent Interference Strategies
  - Negotiating License Agreements
  - Merger/Acquisition/Divestiture Counseling
- Licensing
- Co-Development and Collaborative Arrangements
- Providing Creative, Value-Enhancing Worldwide Patent Portfolio Management Advice
- Joint Ventures and Strategic Alliances
- Freedom-to-Operate Opinions
- Patent Investigations
- Due Diligence
- Litigation
  - District Court Litigation
  - ITC Investigations and Litigation
  - Post-Grant Proceedings
  - Federal Circuit
  - Court of Federal Claims
  - Hatch-Waxman Litigation

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE
Advising a multinational bank in all IP matters worldwide, including patent, trademark, copyright, licensing, IP diligence, IP agreements, monetization, domain names, and handling patent and trademark litigation and opposition matters.
Successfully prosecuted and enforced highly coveted and respected Bass Pro fishing lure patent covering range of infringing products resulting in numerous licenses and removal of competing lures from the marketplace.

Achieved favorable arbitration ruling for University of Kansas following years litigating a closely watched battle over inventorship credit on National Institute of Health owned patents covering cancer drug formulations.

- Successfully defended a major telecommunications providers and carriers in numerous patent infringement cases filed throughout the United States.
- Conducting complex patent invalidity, infringement, due diligence and freedom-to-operate studies and analyses for technology and life sciences companies and clients in a wide variety of other industries.
- Providing guidance to life sciences companies in preparing and prosecuting patent applications, evaluating external patent landscape and competitors’ IP positions, and identifying partners for specific technology development.
- Successfully defended HME Wireless in two contentious patent infringement cases filed by competitor Long Range Systems. Both cases were dismissed with prejudice and without payment following claim construction.
- Successfully defended Stanley in a bench trial against claims that one of its popular products infringed the design patent on a competitor’s similar product.
- Pursued action for Invitae Corporation to have declared invalid genetic testing patents asserted by Myriad Genetics in MDL proceeding in Utah. Following extensive litigation, Myriad abandoned its patent enforcement efforts.
- Defended Hewlett-Packard in 11-patent infringement cases regarding HP products with Wi-Fi and/or NFC network interfaces with tens of billions of dollars in exposure.
- Successfully defended Atlas Copco in a patent infringement jury trial with $200 million+ in damages at stake. Prevailed in district court and Federal Circuit appeals, winning a seven-figure attorneys’ fees award.

**PRACTICE AREA HIGHLIGHTS**

Ranked in *Chambers USA* for Intellectual Property in Northern Virginia (Band 2) and two IP partners ranked in Northern Virginia (2018).

Ranked by *The Legal 500 U.S.* in patent prosecution, including reexamination and post-grant proceedings (2018).


- Ranked in Washington, DC and Texas as one of the world’s leading IP practices across all aspects of patent law by *Intellectual Asset Management’s “IAM Patent 1000”* and four partners named individually (2018).

- Ranked as a “Recommended” firm for IP in four categories in California and as “Highly Recommended” in one IP category in Virginia by *Managing Intellectual Property* magazine (2018).

- *Corporate Counsel* named Pillsbury 2015 “Go-To Firm” – Intellectual Property Litigation and noted the firm as a Top-10 Intellectual Property “Go-To” Firm for Fortune 500 companies.