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Katten IP Practice Honored by World Trademark Review 1000

(CHICAGO) Katten announced today that the firm and five of its Intellectual Property attorneys were recognized in the 2021 edition of *World Trademark Review 1000 – The World's Leading Trademark Professionals (WTR 1000)*, a research directory focused exclusively on trademark practices and practitioners.

Firm Chairman Roger P. Furey, national co-chairs of Katten's Intellectual Property practice Karen Artz Ash and Floyd A. Mandell, and partners Kristin J. Achterhof and Jan Tamulewicz received individual accolades in the areas of prosecution and strategy, and enforcement and litigation. The *WTR 1000* touted Katten for its "eminent standing in the trademark community" and, under the leadership of Ash and Mandell, the IP practice as a "premier destination for many prestigious designers and clothes makers."

Ranked in the prosecution and strategy category, Furey, who was also recognized for his current focus on law firm leadership in his role as chairman, was lauded for his "rich IP protection and enforcement experience, which he has cultivated representing clients all over the world."

Ash, also named in the prosecution and strategy category, was highly endorsed for understanding "how the industry works and the role of intellectual property within it, allowing her to give legal counsel laced with business insight."

Mandell, who received a distinction in the area of enforcement and litigation, was praised for his "instrumental" leadership and for laying the "foundation of the IP department." The directory also cited his "track record in big-ticket trademark litigation on behalf of world-famous technology, food and beverage, retail and fashion, media and entertainment and other brands as a testament to his virtually unmatched expertise as a legal authority and advocate."

Recommended in enforcement and litigation, Achterhof was acknowledged for her ability to give "prestigious companies potent representation in high-exposure cases, as a seasoned first-chair trial attorney and an astute counsellor."

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Tamulewicz, endorsed in the prosecution and strategy area, was praised for his abilities in "fashion, luxury and beyond," and was cited by international industry sources as a "great strategist" and a "responsive correspondent."

WTR 1000 identifies the leading trademark practitioners and firms from more than 80 jurisdictions around the world.

Katten's Intellectual Property attorneys evaluate thousands of trademark searches every year and police clients' marks against threats worldwide. They provide counsel on evolving trademark registration and pre-litigation issues. From protection of product launches to defense against infringement claims, Katten's team resolves trademark disputes and lawsuits related to deceptive trade practices, fair use or infringement, First Amendment rights, Lanham Act, service marks, and unfair competition among other issues.

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