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### **Katten's Copyright Practice and Lawyers Ranked in 2026 *IAM/World Trademark Review Copyright 1000***

(CHICAGO) Katten announced today that its Copyright practice in Illinois and two lawyers, Floyd A. Mandell and Nathan Smith, have been recognized in the 2026 edition of *IAM/World Trademark Review (WTR) Copyright 1000: The World's Leading Copyright Professionals*, which identifies leading copyright practitioners across key jurisdictions worldwide.

In its report on the rankings, *IAM/WTR Copyright 1000* noted: "Katten has a respected copyright practice that combines deep litigation experience with sophisticated commercial advice. The team is regularly instructed on matters involving fashion, entertainment, publishing and technology, advising clients on the protection, exploitation and enforcement of creative works where copyright frequently overlaps with advertising, digital content and broader brand strategy. Its longstanding involvement in the creative industries, coupled with extensive experience in complex disputes, enables the firm to tackle novel copyright issues with confidence."

The Katten lawyers individually recognized are:

- Floyd A. Mandell – United States, Illinois
- Nathan Smith – United Kingdom, England and Wales

Katten advises clients on a wide range of copyright matters, including protection, enforcement, licensing and litigation involving creative works and other intellectual property assets. The firm helps clients safeguard copyrights and defend against infringement claims through counseling, transactions, disputes and strategic portfolio management. Katten's copyright experience supports clients across industries where brands, content, technology and creative assets are central to their business.

*IAM/WTR Copyright 1000* is a guide identifying leading copyright practitioners across key jurisdictions worldwide. Focused exclusively on copyright law and practice, *Copyright 1000* is designed to serve as a trusted resource for businesses, creators, rights holders and counsel seeking outstanding copyright expertise.

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