

## **Leo JESSEN**

Leo Jessen studied industrial design engineering (1989) at Delft University of Technology and law at Utrecht University. Leo became partner with VEREENIGDE in 2000 and works from their The Hague office.

His general expertise lies in the field of mechanical engineering. His specialisms are consumer products, medical appliances and ergonomics. He has wide experience in patent cases before the courts in The Hague and before the EPO.

Leo is actively involved in the training of new patent attorneys in Dutch, European and international patent practice. Leo is presently chair of Group 6 of FICPI: litigation and IP Enforcement, including Dispute Settlement & Arbitration.

## **Dr. Shankar Venugopal**

Dr Shankar Venugopal is the Innovation Differentiation Leader at Honeywell Technology Solutions Lab. He leads the technology innovation efforts and facilitates the development of new products for emerging markets.

He has received a PhD in materials science from the Indian Institute of Science (IISc) and a Management degree from the Indian Institute of Management (IIMB). He has successfully led global research programs at GE's and Dow's R&D organizations for a decade. He is passionate about facilitating systematic innovation and he excels in transforming ideas into innovations.

He has Inventor medals, Innovation excellence awards and Innovative New Product awards to his credit. He also received the best doctoral thesis award from IISc and Edison best teacher award from GE. He holds ten granted patents (US) and has successfully translated his technology innovations into award winning new products. His areas of expertise include Technology, IP and Innovation management.

## **Edmond WHITE**

Ed White is Lead Consultant for the IP Analytics Service at Thomson Reuters IP and Science. Servicing clients around the world in industries as diverse as pharmaceuticals, semiconductors, telecoms and food and consumer products, Ed and his colleagues uses the content and platforms available from Thomson Reuters to directly assist clients.

These have ranged from government departments and large multinationals to university technology transfer units and start ups.

Ed has been at Thomson Reuters for over ten years, and has a background in Electronic Engineering and Physics.

## Jane Perrier

Jane Perrier is the General Counsel, Intellectual Property for Telstra Corporation Limited, Australia's leading telecommunications and information services company.

Jane provides strategic IP advice and procedural support to Telstra's Australian businesses, and its overseas subsidiaries and partners.

Jane has led Telstra's submissions to the Australian government on IP matters including Top Level Domains; Online Copyright Enforcement; Attorney Privilege; Patent and Trade Mark Practice Reforms; the Innovation Patent System; IP Chapters in FTAs, including the AUSFTA, the Anti-Counterfeiting Trade Agreement and the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement. She has co-authored two papers on IP issues in Virtual Worlds and authored a paper on online copyright enforcement for the *Telecommunications Journal of Australia*.

Jane is a legal practitioner and registered Trade Mark Attorney. She is a member of the Australian Institute of Patent and Trade Mark Attorneys and the Intellectual Property Society of Australia and New Zealand. She is a former appointee and consultant to the Australian Government's Advisory Council on Intellectual Property and a past president of the Australian IP body, AMPICTA. Jane is a mentor for The University of Melbourne's Law School and she co-ordinates Telstra Legal Services' Community Contribution Projects.

Jane works part-time and has two children.

## Petter Rindforth, LL M / partner

Petter has a Master of law from the University of Stockholm and over 20 years of experience in the intellectual property field. He is a European Trademark & Design Attorney and a trained Mediator (member of the INTA International Panel of Neutrals). Petter is an expert in cyberlaw and serves as arbitrator/panellist for WIPO, National Arbitration Forum, IIS and the Czech Arbitration Court.

Petter is a member of the INTA Internet Committee and is a Special Reporter Domain Names of the Fédération Internationale des Conseils en Propriété Industrielle (FICPI).

Petter has also experience of patent and design disputes in administrative and civil courts.

He is a registered EPO Legal Practitioner and is entitled to undertake professional representation before the European Patent Office.

Petter is the President of the Association of Swedish Patent Attorneys (SPOF).

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## **Michael WOLNIZER**

### **Professional Profile**

Michael practices in all areas of trade mark law including availability and infringement searches, prosecution, opposition and trade mark infringement issues and related copyright, trade practices and associated common law actions. Michael manages the trade mark portfolios of numerous Australian and multi national companies. Michael has been named one of Australia's leading trade mark law practitioners in the Managing Intellectual Property Expert Guides publication.



Michael has particular expertise in internet related trade mark and copyright issues and he heads up Davies Collison Cave's domain name practice group. He was a member of the inaugural auDA Domain Name Advisory Panel whose recommendations led to the reform of policy in the .au name space in 2000. He has also been a member of the INTA Internet Committee and currently chairs the INTA Trade Marks Office Practice Subcommittee for the Asia Pacific.

### **Qualifications**

- Bachelor of Law (Hons.), University of Tasmania
- Master of Laws, University of Melbourne
- Registered Trade Marks Attorney