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Born 1964
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1983 to 1985	Military Intelligence German Army
1985 to 1992	Diploma in Technical Physics, Technical University Munich Development engineer in aerospace industry in the field of laser material processing
1992 to 1996	Patent attorney training in Munich based patent law firm
1996	German Patent Attorney
1997	European Patent Attorney
1999	Change of law firm
2000	Partner
2010	LL.M. (European Intellectual Property)

Areas of Practice

Advising domestic and international clients in patent prosecution, enforcement, licensing matters

Supervising patent prosecution in electrical engineering/physics field at **KBS®**

Patent prosecution for domestic and international clients

Patent validity and infringement opinions, litigation, licensing

Extensive experience in handling patent related matters in the fields of semiconductor, laser, printing, machine tool, navigation, material processing and automotive technologies



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Curriculum Vitae

Daniel Alge (born 1965)



Biochemist, specialised in molecular biology and biotechnology during his diploma studies (graduated in 1988) and his thesis (doctor degree in 1990). Continued research work at the European Molecular Biology Laboratory (EMBL) in Heidelberg, Germany.

European Patent Attorney 1995

Austrian Patent Attorney 1997; Partner of Sonn & Partner, Austria

Expert Lay Judge at the Commercial Court Vienna since 2005

Sworn Certified Court Expert 2011

For more than 15 years involved in patent matters (prosecution, litigation and licensing) relating to pharma and biotech.

Tutor for the CEIPI EPC basic course for European Patent Law in Vienna since 1995.

University tutor for patent law (esp. IP involving biotechnological inventions) at the Vienna Biocenter (University of Vienna), at the University of Innsbruck and at the University of Salzburg, since 1998.

Tutor for patent and innovation management at the Management Center Innsbruck (MCI) since 2006.

Frequently appointed as private expert in patent infringement and nullity actions, especially in the field of pharmaceutical chemistry, biochemistry and biotechnology.

AT Delegate of FICPI; Chairman of FICPI CET Group 4 (European and EU Patents)

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Eric LE FORESTIER is a civil engineer graduate from the Ecole Nationale Supérieure des Mines de Paris (ENSMP), with a specialization in Computer Technology.

He has been operating since 1980 for French and foreign clients in patent drafting, prosecution and opposition, opinions, French and international patent litigation, licensing, IP audits and due diligence, in the fields of analogue and digital electronics, information technology, telecommunications and networks, software, semiconductor materials, optics, physics, mechanics, medical devices, metallurgy.

He has extensive experience in practice before the European Patent Office, including oppositions and appeals.

He is a member of FICPI, CNCPI, ACPI, AIPPI and LES.

In FICPI, he currently is President of the CET (Commission d'Etude et de Travail – Study and Work Commission).

Eric LE FORESTIER is also actively involved in the training of patent engineers and has been tutor for nearly 10 years in the EuroSEAD patent drafting course organized by FICPI.

He is past member of the Examination Board for French patent attorney qualification.

He gives frequent lectures on different topics of intellectual property.

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Education

1986: General Certificate of Education (XIII Liceo Scientifico Statale/Milano)

1992: Degree in Bio-Organic Chemistry (Università degli Studi di Milano)

Professional experiences

1992-1993: Civil service

1994: Fedegari Autoclavi Spa

1994-1995: Nalco Chemicals Spa

Since 1995: Dragotti & Associati

Since 2002: Technical expert of the Court of Milan (where he assists Judges in patent infringement and/or validity cases in the life-science field)

Since 2005: Columnist for "*Pharmachem*"

Since 2011: Adjunct professor at "Università degli Studi" of Milan (where he holds a course of chemical patent practice)

Bar admissions

Since June 1998: Italian patent agent

Since September 1999: Italian trademark agent

Since March 2000: European patent attorney

Since June 2000: Community trademark attorney

Publications

"Il Brevetto Nazionale: in tre anni arriva la concessione"; *Il Sole 24 Ore*; 2004

"Il Brevetto Europeo: sulla domanda un esame di merito"; *Il Sole 24 Ore*; 2004

"Clinical trials ed "eccezione sperimentale": i sistemi brevettuali statunitense ed europeo sono in via di armonizzazione?" *Il Diritto Industriale*; n. 5/2005.

"The clinical trials and the "experimental use exemption": are the US and European patent systems getting harmonized?" *Pharmachem*; July-August 2005

"ECJ decision in cases C-207/03 and C-252/03: a new tool for genericists?" *Pharmachem*; October 2006

"The European Patent Office and the patentability of diagnostic methods: the recent opinion of the Enlarged Board of Appeal seems to confirm the established case law" *Pharmachem*; March 2006

"The clinical trials and the experimental use exemption: the European scenario after the EU directive 2004/27/EC" *Pharmachem*; November-December 2006

"The new European Patent Convention: how might it affect the pharmaceutical industry?" *Pharmachem*; November-December 2007

Co-author of the Italian and European sections of "*Biotechnology and Pharmaceutical Patents – Law and Practice*", Wolters Kluwer, 2008 and 2009 editions

Lectures

Milan, Italy, May 2001, January 2003 and February 2004: *Seminario sui brevetti chimici e biotecnologici* (Università degli Studi di Milano, corso di Laurea breve in Chimica).

New York, September 5, 2001: *Drafting and prosecuting EP applications: traps, tricks and suggestions*.

Lugano, Switzerland, October 19, 2001: *Patents, design & utility models in Italy: filing and prosecuting*.

Milan, Italy, January 16, 2002: *Un caso pratico di contenzioso brevettuale su scala internazionale* (Università degli Studi di Milano, Master in diritto e finanza degli scambi internazionali).

New York, June 8, 2003: *Drafting and prosecuting EP applications: traps, tricks and suggestions*.

New York, March 26, 2004: *Infringement and defense of patent rights in Italy*.

Parco tecnologico Polaris, Pula, Italy, February 26, 2005: *Un approccio pratico alla brevettazione*.

Milan, Italy, June 24, 2005 and May 30, 2006, Università Vita-Salute San Raffaele, Corso di Laurea Specialistica in Biotecnologie Mediche Molecolari e cellulari; *Aspetti brevettuali connessi con un progetto di ricerca finalizzato all'immissione in commercio di un "generico" biotech: un caso pratico*.

Origgio, Italy, January 26, 2006: *The paragraph IV challenge*.

Firenze, Italy, May 18, 2006, corso post laurea "Esperto in tutela della proprietà intellettuale e risoluzione delle controversie commerciali internazionali" in cooperation with the Scuola Superiore dell'Economia e delle Finanze.

New Delhi, India, December 10, 2009, FICPI Symposium, *Patentability issues*.

Beijing, Seoul, Jeju Island, Minneapolis, October 11-22, 2010, *Recent amendments in the EPC regulations and case law on double-patenting*.

Lainate, Italy, May 6, 2011, *The extraordinary world of Mr. Patent*.

Rome, Italy, November 10, 2011, FICPI Open Forum, *Business software/office systems* (as moderator).

Professional associations

AIPPI

AIPLA

FICPI (Executive Committee)

INTA

Ordine dei Consulenti in Proprietà Industriale

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Didier INTÈS

European patent attorney

French patent attorney

Didier Intès is a graduate of ENSTA, a French “Grande Ecole”, in the fields of mechanics, physics and fluid mechanics.

He started his career as an engineer working in applied research on fluid mechanics in France and also in Germany, where he worked at the Deutsches Zentrum für Luft- und Raumfahrt. He co-authored scientific papers on fluid turbulence and stratospheric waves.

On his return to France, Didier joined Cabinet Beau de Loménie in 1992, becoming a European patent attorney in 1997, and a French patent attorney in 1998.

Since 2001, Didier has been the partner in charge of the patent department for mechanics and physics at Cabinet Beau de Loménie. His team covers general mechanics, car industry, aeronautics, hydraulics, shipbuilding, material sciences, medical devices, civil engineering and many other technologies.

Didier’s contribution covers the acquisition of patent rights (drafting, prosecution, opposition, appeal) as well as their enforcement (management of pre-trial infringement situations, French and international litigation, transfers of rights). He is also involved in due diligence and patent valuation. He works in French, English and German.

He has been the President of the French National Association of FICPI for four years and is still highly involved in the association. He actively contributes to the education and training of IP specialists and teaches claim drafting as well as IP management at the CEIPI (Centre d’Etudes Internationales de la Propriété Intellectuelle).

He has written several articles on IP Law, which were published in LES NOUVELLES, CONSTRUCTIF, INNOVATION&INDUSTRIE, THE EUROPEAN LAWYER...



ROBERT S. KATZ

Attorney

Robert Katz has benefited firm clients in the areas of utility patents and industrial designs. Mr. Katz has drafted and prosecuted to issuance numerous and significant utility patents in the U.S. and in foreign countries. These clients include Fortune 500 companies as well as many individual inventors and small companies who rely on strong patent protection in their marketplaces. The patents have been directed primarily to mechanical and electromechanical devices, and to software and computer-related inventions. Many patents drafted and prosecuted by Mr. Katz have been successfully enforced with some having served as the cornerstone for the successful sale of companies.

Mr. Katz has also provided advice and prepared opinions regarding the patentability of inventions, patent infringement, patent validity, and trade secret protection to help clients properly assess the advantages and disadvantages of certain intellectual property and business decisions.

In patent and trademark litigation matters, he has assisted clients in enforcing and defending intellectual property related claims at the district court and the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, and in the International Trade Commission.

Both nationally and internationally, Mr. Katz is considered as one of the premier practitioners in the field of industrial designs leading the way in the procurement and enforcement of design patents. On behalf of the firm's clients, he has helped procure over 4,400 design patents in the U.S. and over 12,000 design patents/ registrations outside the U.S., and has helped to successfully enforce over 100 design patents. Leaders from foreign Design Patent Offices have consulted with him regarding industrial design policies, and he has been named as an expert in multiple design patent litigations.

He has been invited to and has given industrial design related presentations for many professional organizations including: ABA (American Bar Association), AIPLA (American Intellectual Property Law Association), FICPI (Federation International des Conseils en Propriete Industrielle), INTA (International Trademark Association), IPO (Intellectual Property Owners Association), IPR University Center (Finland), the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), and WIPO (World Intellectual Property Office). Representatives from the Japanese Patent Office and WIPO have consulted with him on issues of design patent harmonization.

Mr. Katz has written articles addressing issues relating utility patent, design patent, and trade dress rights. Mr. Katz has authored a section of a recently published book entitled Writing Patents for Litigation and Licensing for BNA Publishing. He is currently a professor at Georgetown Law School co-teaching a class on Intellectual Property Pretrial Litigation Skills.

Mr. Katz is a member of several professional organizations including: AIPLA, FICPI, ABA, and IDSA (Industrial Design Society of America). In FICPI, he is currently on the Executive Board of the U.S. Section, and serves as the Chair of Committee 2 which is responsible for industrial designs. Mr. Katz also serves as a member of the Industrial Designs working group of the AIPLA Special Committee on Legislation.

Before joining Banner & Witcoff, Mr. Katz was a patent examiner at the USPTO. In that capacity, he examined patent applications for article and material handling devices covering a broad range of applications including robotics, conveyors, and loading and unloading vehicles. Mr. Katz also worked as a mechanical engineer at Digital Equipment Corporation's High Performance Systems where he designed mechanical, electrical, and electromechanical devices for main-frame computers. Additionally, he is a co-inventor of U.S. Patent No. 4,723,549 entitled "*Method and Apparatus for Dilating Blood Vessels*."

Mr. Katz earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from Carnegie-Mellon University, and his Juris Doctor degree, with honors, from George Washington University. He is admitted to practice before many courts including the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit and the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia. He is a member of the bar in Virginia and the District of Columbia, and is registered to practice before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Mr. Katz was named as one of the "Top 50 Under 45" intellectual property attorneys in 2008 by *IP Law and Business*.

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Education

B.S. 1986, Carnegie Mellon University
J.D. 1992, George Washington University

Bar Admissions

1992, Virginia
1993, District of Columbia

Court Admissions

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

Practice Areas

Design Patents
Litigation
Patent Prosecution
Trademarks

Karen Sinclair

Watermark

Karen Sinclair is an Australian Registered Patent and Trade Mark Attorney and graduated from Monash University with majors in organic chemistry and microbiology as well as studies in biochemistry. Karen joined the profession in 1987 and has been a Principal of Watermark since 1995, and Chairman of the firm since 2008.



Karen takes a strong interest in the theory and practice of intellectual asset management as well as in technology transfer.

Heavily involved in training in the patent attorney profession, Karen is

- a Senior Fellow in the Faculty of Law at the University of Melbourne and
- a Sessional Lecturer in the Faculty of Law at Monash University.

teaching Validity and Interpretation of Patent Specifications and Patent Practice (Australian and international patent law and practice).

Karen is

- a member of the Professional Standards Board for Patent and Trade Mark Attorneys in Australia,
- a member of the Advisory Board of the Intellectual Property Research Institute of Australia,
- a member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors,
- Immediate Past President of the Licensing Executives Society of Australia and New Zealand, and
- a Governor of the Victorian chapter of the American Chamber of Commerce.

Karen was Watermark's Practice Group Leader for the bioscience and chemical technology industries for nearly 15 years, and is based in Watermark's Melbourne office.

Elia Sugrañes Coca

Title

Spanish Patent and Trademark Agent and Community Trademark Agent

Member of

COAPI (Colegio Oficial de Agentes de la Propiedad Industrial), ICAB (Colegio de Abogados de Barcelona), AIPPI (Association Internationale pour la Protection de la Propriété Industrielle), FICPI (Federation Internationale de Cooperation de Propriété Intellectuelle), INTA (International Trademarks Association), ECTA (European Community Trademarks Association), ASIPI (Asociación Iberoamericana de Propiedad Industrial); Mediator recognized by OMPI (Organización Mundial de la Propiedad Industrial e Intelectual), Mediator recognized by the Chamber of Commerce of Barcelona

Experience

- SUGRAÑES, S.L. since October 1997. Head of the Trademarks Department.
- 2011-now: Co-chair of CET 1-9
- 2008-2010: Chair of CET 9 at FICPI
- 2007-2008: Reporter of the CET 9 at FICPI
- November 2003/07: Secretary of the Grupo Español de la AIPPI
- November 2002/03: Member of the Board of Grupo Español de la AIPPI
- May 2001-to now: Member of de Harmonization Committee of ECTA
- May 2004-2009: Member of Internet Committee at ECTA
- January 2004-November 2009: Member of the Mediation Committee at INTA
- Mediator at the OMPI for trademark matters.
- Speaker at the Institute of Lawyers in Barcelona since 2003 regarding Trademark protection, DC BAR DE WASHINGTON DC regarding Community Trademarks, also at the Pharmaceutical Institute since 2005 at FICPI regarding International Trademarks.

Education

- 1996 Law Degree at Universidad Autónoma de Barcelona (UAB)
- 1997/8 Magister Universitario en Marcas, Diseños, Patentes y Derechos de Autor – Trabajo de Investigación: El Entendimiento de Mediación y Arbitraje recogido en el TRIPS.
- 1999 Entitled to act as Agente de la Propiedad Industrial in Spain