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Chambers Global and Chambers Europe, 2020

Recent Highlights

- Allergan on the IP aspects of its proposed \$160 billion combination with Pfizer and \$40.5 billion sale of its generics business to Teva Pharmaceuticals.
- Coca-Cola in the assignment and cross-license of a number of key brands and trademarks in a two-stage acquisition of a leading branded drinks manufacturer active in Africa.
- Lowe's on the IP, data privacy, licensing, and related aspects of its acquisition of Boomerang's retail analytics platform.
- Medytox in securing a significant victory in an International Trade Commission trade secrets investigation in Washington, D.C.
- Film directors and producers in the financing, production, distribution, and licensing of 11 award-winning documentary motion pictures.
- Nortel Networks in defending against claims for copyright infringement and breach of license relating to software and, in a different matter, as plaintiff in asserting trade secret claims against licensee who use Nortel trade secrets to produce competing networking and telecom products.
- ESL Investments on IP, cyber, and privacy matters related to its \$5.2 billion acquisition of Sears.
- 3M in privacy law and IP issues associated with various acquisitions and business divestitures, including its \$1 billion acquisition of M*Modal's cloud-based, artificial intelligence-powered technology business, and its related IP licenses and strategic services agreement with M*Modal's remaining service business.
- Honeywell in its strategic licensing of the "HONEYWELL" brand in the spin-off of its homes business.
- JUUL in the \$12.8 billion minority investment by Altria (including related intellectual property license and commercial agreements), and certain other IP matters and counseling.
- Donatella Versace, GiVi Holding, and Jonathan Akeroyd in the \$2.13 billion sale of Versace to Michael Kors Holdings.
- Lavazza in its acquisition of Mars Drinks and in its acquisition of the "CARTE NOIRE" brand in Europe.
- FIFA in connection with the evaluation of the United States' bid to host the 2026 World Cup and in relation to the event generally.
- OpenText in pursuing claims for breach of an exclusive software license against SAS C6, a French software developer.
- Tom Ford in numerous transactions, including license and distribution agreements.
- itBit Trust Company (now Paxos Trust Company) in becoming the first U.S.-chartered and regulated virtual currency exchange.
- NYSE Euronext in numerous mergers, acquisitions, and joint ventures; capital markets offerings; financings; and antitrust matters.
- A consortium of major financial institutions in launching FXall, the first electronic platform for institutional trading of spot & forward currency.
- Reuters in establishing FX MarketPlace, a joint venture with the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, the first electronic trading platform with fully integrated foreign currency clearing.
- Entities controlled by Jeffrey Bezos, the founder and CEO of online retailer Amazon.com, in their \$250 million purchase of *The Washington Post* and various regional publishers.
- Google in more than 20 transactions, including its \$12.5 billion acquisition of Motorola Mobility.
- Keysight Technologies, a U.S. company that manufactures test and measurement equipment and software, in its agreement to acquire Ixia, a globally traded public company that provides testing, visibility, and security solutions, in an all-cash transaction totaling approximately \$1.6 billion in consideration.
- Texas Instruments and Broadcom in global litigation against Qualcomm for breach of undertakings given in connection with the licensing of patents for 3G mobile telephone standards worldwide, including successful appeal proceedings in the United States, and settlements resulting in payment above \$2 billion to our clients.
- Medytox in settlement agreements with AEON Biopharma that fully resolve all outstanding litigation between the two companies.
- Philips in proceedings before the Italian Competition Authority relating to the alleged existence of an abuse of a dominant position in the market of maintenance of high-tech diagnostic imaging devices (e.g., CTs and MRs), obtaining the complete dismissal of the case.

Impact Case of the Year (Google v. Android)

Benchmark Litigation Europe Awards, 2020

Deal of the Year (Michael Kors/Gianni Versace)

LegalCommunity Corporate Awards, 2019

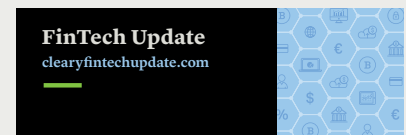
Italian Telecommunications Firm of the Year

TopLegal, 2019

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LegalCommunity IP & TMT Awards, 2019

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