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At a Glance

Trusted Leader

Bill is managing partner and chair of the IP section at Munck Wilson.

Award-winning, internationally recognized IP Lawyer

Bill is honored annually as a leading IP lawyer, an inspiring law firm leader, and an authority on technology-focused legal issues.

Go-to Pro for Litigation, Preparation and Prosecution of Patents

Bill has 30+ years of IP law experience, and his firm achieves hall of fame jury verdicts for clients.

William (Bill) Munck is the managing partner of Munck Wilson Mandala. He is a member of the executive committee and chairs the firm's intellectual property group. Bill brings 30+ years of experience counseling clients regarding the development of offensive and defensive intellectual property portfolios. His technical expertise is in the hardware, software, firmware, gaming, wired/wireless communication, energy, defense, and medical device/healthcare fields.

Bill is known as an attorney who will never give up the fight for his clients. He has been listed among the prestigious Dallas 500 consecutively since 2020 and he is frequently honored and recognized for his leadership and IP knowledge nationally and globally. Bill is highly ranked by IP Stars, IAM Patent 1000, and Chambers and Partners USA in IP law. Clients refer to him as "the go-to guy for patent litigation, prep, and prosecution," adding: "You can get hold of him 24/7, particularly in a crisis," and: "He understands the business use of the patent."

Bill has been selected by his peers annually as a Texas Super Lawyer and Best Lawyer in America, and he is a Distinguished Alumni at the Maurice A. Deane School of Law at Hofstra University.

Experience

 Representing an electrical vehicle startup in a trade secrets dispute with former executives who left the company and started their own company



- Advanced optoelectronic company in a patent infringement and trade secret action in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas
- Telecommunications developer in negotiation with an international telecommunications equipment provider of jointly developed and jointly owned intellectual property rights
- Numerous technology clients in preparation and prosecution of domestic and foreign patent applications, and related intellectual property matters
- Vending company in assertion of patent infringement claim in the Eastern District of Texas, and defended reexamination proceeding with the United States Patent and Trademark Office
- Vending company in five patent infringement actions relating to vending machines in West Virginia district court and on appeal to the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals, secured stay pending final outcome of reexamination proceeding, and developed and asserted patent infringement counterclaims
- International pharmaceutical company in two patent infringement cases against a generic manufacturer in the Northern District of Texas

Focus Areas

Inter Partes Reviews (IPRs)

IP Audits & Legal Opinions

IP Due Diligence

IP Portfolio Management & Counseling

Life Sciences

Patents

Private Equity

School & Higher Education Law

Semiconductors

Standard Essential Patents (SEP)

Technology Transactions

Trade Secret Litigation

Trademark

Education

Maurice A. Deane School of Law at Hofstra University, JD, 1992 Highest Honors and List Distinction Law Journal: Hofstra Labor Law Journal, Member, 1991 – 1992

Hofstra University, MS, 1989 Computer Science and System Architecture

Hofstra University, BS, 1987 Computer Science, Electrical Engineering and Mathematics



Associations & Memberships

- American Bar Association
- New York State Bar Association
- State Bar of Texas Intellectual Property Law Section
- Dallas Bar Association Intellectual Property Law Section
- Registered U.S. Patent Attorney

Honors & Awards

- Lawdragon 500 Leading Litigators in America 2023 – 2024
- Lawdragon 500 Leading Lawyers in America 2023 – 2024
- The Dallas 500 The Most Powerful Business Leaders in Dallas-Fort Worth by D CEO Magazine 2020-2024
- IAM Patent 1000 Global Leader 2021 – 2023
- IAM Patent 1000 Recommended Professional 2020-2023
- Best Lawyers in America 2006-2024
- Texas Super Lawyers, Thomson Reuters 2003-2023
- Top Attorneys for Patent Prosecution, Patexia 2017-2023
- IP Stars, Managing Intellectual Property Magazine, Patent Star 2019-2023
- Diversity & Inclusion Champion, Texas Legal Awards, Texas Lawyer 2020
- Chambers and Partners USA Guide: America's Leading Business Lawyers (Intellectual Property) 2004-2023
- Best Lawyers in Dallas, D Magazine 2019, 2021
- · Distinguished Alumni, Maurice A. Deane School of Law at Hofstra University

Bar Admissions





New York, 1994

- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida
- U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of West Virginia