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Shumaker and Three Lawyers Named to 2023 IAM Patent 1000

CHARLOTTE, NC— Shumaker and Intellectual Property (IP) Partners Patrick Horne, Alex Long, and Jason Smith have been recognized as top patent attorneys in the world with their inclusion in Intellectual Asset Management's (IAM) Patent 1000 attorneys. Patrick and Jason are recommended by IAM for prosecution, and Alex is recommended for litigation and prosecution. The IAM Patent 1000 shines a spotlight on the firms and individuals that are deemed outstanding in the pivotal area of patent law.

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According to IAM:

"Shumaker is an exceptional firm with fantastic professionals who are positive, helpful, patient, and enjoyable to work with. They have a deep bench of knowledge and this level of understanding of industry is what sets it apart from others in the IP space."

"**Alex Long** is a brilliant litigator and prosecutor; he understands the engineering aspects of inventions and pairs this with deep experience in patent law and policy. He is well acquainted with the long-term process and necessary continuations to protect the intellectual property of inventors, and is straight to the point in business dealings, a clear communicator and flexible in times of need."

"**Patrick Horne** excels when it comes to building international portfolios and has an eye for commercialization opportunities. He partners closely with his clients to truly understand their business goals to effectively tailor strategies and provide business-oriented legal advice.

"Life sciences expert **Jason Smith** balances his advice from years of experience with new information from the field. He is focused on creating high-quality patent applications on a cost-effective basis to achieve the best result."

The IAM Patent 1000 is compiled annually following a research process that includes interviews with attorneys at law, patent attorneys, and in-house counsel to gather market intelligence on the leading players in the field.

Patrick, who serves as Shumaker's Intellectual Property and Technology Regional Service Line Leader, is a registered patent attorney and Certified Licensing Professional (CLP) with over 15 years of legal experience that helps him communicate effective business solutions for opportunities and mitigating risks. He has an electrical engineering degree with power meter industry experience and particular technical expertise in electronics, computer software and business methods, telecommunications, medical devices, and mechanical arts. In helping clients build their international patent portfolios, Patrick leverages patent examiner histories and art unit analytics to maximize patent quality and to minimize cost and time-to-issuance.

Alex has been a member of the United States Patent Bar since 2005. He has extensive experience in patent, trademark, and copyright prosecution; counseling and licensing; and he is highly experienced in representing clients, both as plaintiff and defendant in various industries, including, but not limited to, retail, manufacturing, finance, technology, sports and entertainment, media, and solar. Alex frequently teaches a course on intellectual property law with an emphasis on patent prosecution for paralegal students.

Jason is a results-driven IP lawyer with more than a decade of experience. He concentrates his practice in the areas of patent application preparation, prosecution, and post-grant proceedings, as well as opinion work and client counseling. Jason has drafted and prosecuted patent applications for a wide variety of technologies. In addition, Jason has argued before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB), and he frequently speaks on topics pertaining to U.S. patent law.

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