

Dr. Felipe Zilly

Counsel/Patent Attorney

Dusseldorf

Biography

Felipe Zilly is a fully qualified German and European Patent Attorney who advises German and international clients on patent infringement and validity proceedings and is a senior member of our global patent litigation team. With most of his matters having a multi-jurisdictional or cross-border angle and involving coordination within international teams, he is uniquely qualified to represent clients before the newly established Unified Patent Court.

Having obtained his doctorate in biochemistry, he focuses on proceedings in the fields of biotechnology, chemistry, life sciences, medical devices, pharmaceuticals, and production processes. In addition, he has experience in matters relating to mechanics and telecommunications. His particular interest is in pharmaceutical processes and the interface of IP and regulatory protection of pharmaceutical products.

Many of his clients request legal advice on technical property rights, commission freedom-to-operate analyses and legal opinions as part of due diligence in M&A projects.

His clients appreciate the way he leverages his research experience obtained working on molecular neuroscience at the Max Planck Institute for Biophysical Chemistry and on directed enzyme evolution for organic synthesis at the Max Planck Institute for Coal Research.

Prior to joining Hogan Lovells, Felipe worked as an in-



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Languages

English
German
Spanish

Practices

Intellectual Property
Patents
IP Litigation, Arbitration, and
Alternative Dispute Resolution

Industries

Consumer
Manufacturing and Industrials
Life Sciences and Health Care
Technology and Telecoms

house patent attorney for a large multinational consumer goods group headquartered in Dusseldorf. He was responsible for all patent matters in connection with specific consumer products, their production processes, and related IoT devices.

Representative experience

Assisting over several years a world leading pharmaceutical company with the enforcement and defence of a fundamental patent regarding the first approved antibody cancer treatment.

Assisting in the development of a European patent enforcement strategy for a world leading pharmaceutical company against biosimilar manufacturers.

Representing a global manufacturer of heart valve implants in multiple opposition, cancellation and infringement proceedings (incl. PI proceedings); international coordination of proceedings.

Advising a biotech company in making its most valuable patents "ready for litigation".

Assisting a US biotech company in the development of a European patent enforcement strategy against biosimilar manufacturers.

Awards and rankings

- Recommended lawyer for Patent Litigation, *Legal 500 Germany*, 2021
- Listed as Rising Star, *Managing Intellectual Property IP STARS*, 2020
- Listed as Notable Practitioner Managing Intellectual Property, *IP STARS*, 2021
- Recommended lawyer for Patent Law: Dispute Resolution, *Legal 500 Germany*, 2022

Latest thinking and events

- Webinar
 - UPC Invitation Jurisdiction, Opt-Out and Brussels-Regulation

Areas of focus

Medical Foods and Dietary Supplements

In Vitro Diagnostics

IP Rights in Transactions

Medical Devices

Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology

Post-Grant Proceedings

Infrastructure/Energy M&A and Joint Ventures

Education and admissions

Education

Business Chemist (MSc equiv.), University of Hagen, 2015

Doctor of natural sciences, University of Göttingen/Max Planck Institute for Biophysical Chemistry, 2006

Biochemist (MSc equiv.), Ruhr-Universität Bochum, 2002

Memberships

Chamber of Patent Attorneys

European Institute of Representatives before the European Patent Office

Fédération Internationale des Conseils en Propriété Industrielle

DECHEMA

VAA

European Patent Litigators Association (EPLIT)

- Press releases
 - Hogan Lovells advises Jennewein shareholders on its dual-track exit
- News
 - Welcoming new IPMT partners and counsel in 2020
- Press releases
 - Hogan Lovells Celebrates the New Year with 29 Promotions to Partner and 56 Promotions to Counsel