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Euromoney Lists Six Brinks Gilson & Lione Attorneys in 2017 Expert Guide to the World's Leading Patent Law Practitioners

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CHICAGO—Six attorneys and shareholders at intellectual property law firm Brinks Gilson & Lione have been selected for inclusion in Euromoney PLC's 2017 *Expert Guide to the World's Leading Patent Law Practitioners*: William H. Frankel, Ralph J. Gabric, Laura Beth Miller, Mark H. Remus, Gary M. Ropski, and James R. Sobieraj.

William Frankel's litigation practice encompasses patents, trademarks, copyrights, trade secrets, and unfair competition in the U.S. and abroad; he also counsels clients on evaluating, protecting, procuring, and transferring IP rights. In his more than three decades in practice, Frankel has represented clients in federal trial and appellate courts, at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), before the International Trade Commission (ITC), and in alternative dispute resolution forums. He is the chair of Brinks' copyright practice group.

Ralph Gabric is a seasoned litigator with nearly 30 years of experience in handling patent matters. He has served as lead counsel on numerous cases, and has successfully represented clients in jury trials, bench trials, and appeals to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit (CAFC), as well as in post-grant review proceedings before the USPTO's Patent Trial and Appeal Board. Gabric is the co-chair of Brinks' litigation practice group and is a frequent speaker and author on current topics in patent law.

With nearly three decades of trial and arbitration experience, **Laura Beth Miller** is a deeply experienced intellectual property litigator whose practice focuses on patent, trade secret, and trademark law. She also counsels clients on complex commercial issues, including licensing, antitrust, and contract matters affecting business operations, product services, and technology. Miller is a frequent speaker on ITC, patent litigation, and social media issues.

Patent litigator **Mark Remus** has served as lead counsel on numerous patent infringement litigation matters, and has successfully represented clients in jury trials, bench trials, and appeals to the CAFC and the U.S. Supreme Court. He has extensive experience with pharmaceutical litigation under the Hatch-Waxman Act, and has advised clients on a wide range of drug products and technologies. Remus speaks and writes frequently on prevailing issues in patent law.

During his 40-year career as an intellectual property litigator, **Gary Ropski** has served as first- or second-chair in more than 125 patent, trademark, and copyright cases. He has represented clients in high-stakes cases in key district courts for patent litigation, and in precedent-setting appeals before the CAFC. Ropski is admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court, the Supreme Court of Illinois, and the USPTO, as well as numerous federal courts. He served two successive terms as Brinks' president, from 2006 through 2011.

In a career spanning more than three decades, Brinks president **James Sobieraj** has been lead counsel in litigations involving the infringement, validity, and ownership of patent rights, license

agreements, misappropriation of trade secrets, trade dress infringement, unfair competition, false advertising, fraud, antitrust, and other commercial litigation. His experience includes bench and jury trials, temporary restraining orders, preliminary injunctions, Markman hearings, appeals, arbitrations, and mediations. Sobieraj has been Brinks' president since 2012.

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