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Brinks' Gary Ropski Named #1 Leading IP Lawyer in Illinois; 59 Brinks Attorneys Named Leading Lawyers for 2014-2015

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CHICAGO—Gary M. Ropski, a shareholder at intellectual property law firm Brinks Gilson & Lione and the firm's past president, has been named the #1 Leading Intellectual Property Lawyer in Illinois by Leading Lawyers, and fifty-nine Brinks attorneys have been named to the list of Leading Lawyers for 2014-2015.

Ropski, who served as president of Brinks from 2006 to 2011, has close to 40 years of experience in intellectual property law, including litigating more than 100 cases. He has litigated in every federal judicial circuit in the U.S. and in nearly all of the top ten districts for patent litigation, and is admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court, the Supreme Court of Illinois, and the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). Ropski currently focuses his practice on leading teams in high-stakes patent litigation, acting as a court-appointed special master in intellectual property cases, and handling arbitration and mediation where his extensive experience allows him to bring special insights to efforts to resolve disputes.

Ropski was previously named by Leading Lawyers as one of the Top Ten Business Litigators in Illinois, one of the Top Ten Business Lawyers in Illinois, and one of the Top 100 Lawyers in Illinois across all practice areas.

Fifty-three Brinks attorneys in the firm's Chicago office have been named by their peers as Leading Lawyers in Intellectual Property in Illinois for 2014-2015:

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Rodney A. Daniel
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Nicholas G. de la Torre
Timothy Q. Delaney
J. William Dockrey
Christopher M. Dolan
Kelly J. Eberspecher
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John C. Freeman
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Jerome Gilson
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Tadashi Horie
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Leading Lawyers debuted coverage in the state of Michigan this year, and six Brinks attorneys have been named Leading Lawyers in Intellectual Property in Michigan for 2014-2015:

Lawrence G. Almeda
William R. Boudreaux
Kelly K. Burris
James K. Cleland
Steven L. Oberholtzer
Eric J. Sosenko

Three Brinks attorneys—Timothy Delaney, Tadashi Horie, and Robert Mallin—were named to Leading Lawyers for the first time.

Brinks is one of the largest intellectual property law firms in the United States. The firm's lawyers provide expertise in all aspects of patent, trademark, unfair competition, trade secret, and copyright law. The firm's lawyers have advanced degrees across all fields of technology and science, and serve commercial clients, innovators, and research universities in every technical field, including in biotechnology, pharmaceuticals, chemicals, energy, agriculture, electrical and computer technologies, the mechanical arts, medical devices, green technology, and nanotechnology.

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