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Brinks Gilson & Lione Attorneys Buschmann, Nattler Present Webinar on Strategies for Protecting Intellectual Property

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CHICAGO—Craig Buschmann and Gerlinde (Linda) Nattler, attorneys at intellectual property law firm Brinks Gilson & Lione, presented a webinar on August 23, 2016 that covered automakers' licensing strategies and practice tips for avoiding patent indefiniteness pitfalls.

In "Diving into the (Patent) Pool—A Comparative Review of Automakers' Licensing Strategies," Buschmann examined Tesla's open-source, license-free patent pool, particularly as it contrasts to the licensing schemes of competitors Toyota and Ford.

Co-chair of Brinks' chemicals, energy and agriculture practice group, Buschmann advises clients with mechanical and electromechanical innovations on how to best protect and exploit their valuable intellectual property. An experienced mechanical engineer, he brings a practitioner's perspective to his work in complex patent, trademark, and licensing litigation and in patent and trademark prosecution.

Nattler discussed the 2014 U.S. Supreme Court decision in *Nautilus, Inc. v. Biosig Instruments, Inc.* and subsequent decisions of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit as background for her presentation, "Specification and Claim Drafting to Avoid Indefiniteness." She offered practice tips for specification and claim drafting in view of *Nautilus* and its progeny to avoid potential indefiniteness pitfalls during prosecution and when enforcing patents.

Nattler is a patent prosecutor with an international perspective: her knowledge of different standards applied by patent offices in the U.S. and overseas helps her draft patent applications that withstand domestic as well as international challenges. Prior to becoming an attorney and joining Brinks, she gained in-house patent prosecution experience in the automotive supplier industry in Germany and the U.S.

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