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World Trademark Review Recognizes Intellectual Property Law Firm Brinks Gilson & Lione for Tenth Straight Year

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CHICAGO—Intellectual property law firm Brinks Gilson & Lione again received top recognition in the 2021 edition of the *World Trademark Review 1000—The World’s Leading Trademark Professionals* (“WTR”). For the tenth year in a row, the publication ranks Brinks in the Gold Band for Illinois and in the Silver Band nationally for trademark matters.

“The preferred protector for a host of A-list companies with famous and valuable brands, Brinks more than earns its gold-tier placement in the *WTR 1000*. The storied boutique is distinguished by a rich history of trademark thought leadership, superb track record across the trademark spectrum, deep China expertise, an impressive bench of professionals and global proficiency, among many other things.”

In addition to the high praise given the Brinks’ trademark team, *WTR* recognized five Brinks shareholders, including practice co-chairs Howard Michael and Andrew Avsec. *WTR* credits the pair with “[i]nspiring and motivating this wonderful team and its eminent patrons.” The publication goes on to describe Mr. Michael as “a calming presence and rigorous strategic thinker who puts brand owners at ease when they are in a tight spot.”

For the second year in a row, Virginia Wolk Marino received high praise for her adaptive approach to working with her clients. “Virginia’s advice is always perfectly tailored to specific needs,” notes *WTR*. “She shows a level of flexibility and real-world understanding that is often lacking in other lawyers.”

The publication ranked seasoned litigators David Fleming and Jeffery Handelman highly both in Illinois and in the national rankings. *WTR* describes Handelman as “a litigator cited for his ‘terrific TTAB experience and expertise.’” Handelman is the author of the two-volume treatise, [Handelman's Guide to TTAB Practice \(Wolters Kluwer\)](#). *WTR* also distinguishes Fleming as a “rock-solid, highly accomplished lawyer who is hugely respected in the trademark community.”

WTR 1000 seeks to serve as a definitive and comprehensive guide to locating the best trademark law practitioners worldwide. The publication’s research process involves hundreds of interviews with attorneys and clients across the globe, and reflects the depth of experience, market presence, and level of work on which firms are engaged.

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