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EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Bar Examination, Hanseatisches Oberlandesgericht Hamburg, Germany, 1998;
Doctor in law (thesis on international contract law), University of Konstanz, Germany, 1996;
Law Degree, University of Konstanz, Germany, 1993.

LANGUAGES

German, English, French.

PRESENT POSITION

Attorney-at-Law, Bardehle Pagenberg Dost Altenburg Geissler Isenbruck, München since 2002; Attorneys-in-Law and Patent Attorneys, with offices in Düsseldorf, Paris, Alicante, Shanghai.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE BEFORE PRESENT POSITION

Private practice, 2000-2002;
Attorney, Nörr Stiefenhofer Lutz, Intellectual Property and E-Commerce Department, Munich, Germany, 1998-2000;
Trainee attorney, Graf von Westphalen, Fritze & Modest, Intellectual Property Department, Hamburg, Germany, 1997;

May 19, 2010

Research Assistant, Chair of German Law, Conflict of Laws and Comparative Law (Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. Fritz Sturm), University of Lausanne, Switzerland, 1993 –1995;
 Student Assistant, Chair for Civil Law, Commercial Law and International Commercial Law (Prof. Dr. Karl-Heinz Fezer), University of Konstanz, Germany, 1990-1991.

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Intellectual property and unfair competition, including trademark, domain name, copyright, software, trade secret matters and licensing;
 Information technology, including e-commerce, marketing of goods and services via the internet, cooperation in the internet and technology field, privacy, internet service providing, web design.

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL BODIES

German Society for Law and Information Science (DGRI);
 German Association for Industrial Property Law and Copyright Law (GRUR).

EXPERIENCE IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Litigation, including trademark, domain name, copyright, and software disputes;
 Negotiation and drafting of national and international contracts and licensing agreements involving trademarks, domain names, copyrights, know-how;
 National and international trademark applications and party representation in disputes before the German Patent and Trademark Office.

EXPERIENCE WITH RESPECT TO DOMAIN NAMES

Litigation and party representation in arbitration proceedings in various national and international domain name disputes;
 Negotiation and drafting of settlement agreements in domain name disputes;
 Negotiation and drafting of contracts involving sale, transfer and licensing of rights in domain names.

MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

Generische Domains, Wettbewerb in Recht und Praxis 1426, 2001;
 Urteilsanmerkung zu OLG Braunschweig, Urteil vom 20.07.2000 – stahlguss.de, MultiMedia und Recht 625, 2000;
 Urteilsanmerkung zu OLG Frankfurt/M., Urteil vom 14.09.1999, 788 – ambiente.de, Computer und Recht 788, 1999;
 Der Millennium Bug und der lange Arm der Produzentenhaftung, Computer und Recht 680, 1999;
 Urkundenbeweis durch digitale Dokumente, MultiMedia und Recht 644, 1998;
 Die Qualifikation der Schenkung – zur Qualifikationsmethode im Internationalen Vertragsrecht, Frankfurt am Main 1997.

Lectures:

Aktuelle Rechtsprobleme der Informationstechnologie und der Neuen Medien, Munich, 2001;
 Das Jahr-2000-Problem in der EDV – Haftungsrisiken, Haus der Wirtschaft, Munich, 1998.

EXPERIENCE IN COURT LITIGATION

Represented clients before German courts in various litigations concerning trademarks, domain names, copyrights and software;

Represented clients in matters before the German Patent and Trademark Office (DPMA).

EXPERIENCE IN ARBITRATION AND MEDIATION

Represented parties in arbitrations through World Intellectual Property Organization, WIPO and in mediations through other venues.
