

# PATENT QUALITY VS. PATENT QUANTITY

## OCEAN TOMO PATENT RATINGS

Rank	Top 20 U.S. Law Firms <sup>1</sup>	Avg IPQ® Score <sup>2</sup>
1	Lee & Hayes PLLC	136.0
2	Trask Britt	133.7
3	Marger Johnson & McCollom PC	129.3
4	Blakely Sokoloff Taylor & Zafman LLP	124.9
4	Turocy & Watson LLP	124.9
6	Schwegman, Lundberg, Woessner PA	122.1
7	McAndrews Held & Malloy Ltd	121.8
8	Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox PLLC	121.1
9	Perkins Coie LLP	119.2
10	Volentine & Whitt PLLC	118.8
11	Dorsey & Whitney LLP	118.2
12	Townsend and Townsend and Crew LLP	117.6
13	Myers Bigel Sibley & Sajovec PA	117.2
14	Fish & Richardson PC	116.9
14	Workman Nydegger	116.9
16	Knobbe Martens Olson & Bear LLP	116.2
17	Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel PC	115.5
18	Wolf, Greenfield & Sacks PC	115.1
19	Squire, Sanders & Dempsey LLP	114.9
20	Klarquist Sparkman LLP	114.5

## INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY TODAY

Rank	Top 25 U.S. Law Firms <sup>3</sup>	Utility Patents Issued in 2009 <sup>4</sup>
1	Oblon, Spivak, McClelland, Maier & Neustadt, LLP	4043
2	Sughrue Mion PLLC	2874
3	Birch, Stewart, Kolasch & Birch LLP	2503
4	Oliff & Berridge PLC	2429
5	Harness, Dickey & Pierce PLC	1974
6	Fitzpatrick, Cella, Harper & Scinto	1618
7	Fish & Richardson	1584
8	Townsend and Townsend and Crew LLP	1537
9	Blakely Sokoloff Taylor & Zafman LLP	1515
10	Nixon & Vanderhye PC	1418
11	McDermott Will & Emery LLP	1415
12	Foley & Lardner LLP	1351
13	Cantor Colburn LLP	1330
14	Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett & Dunner LLP	1313
15	Knobbe Martens Olson & Bear LLP	1282
16	Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione	1025
17	Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati PC	1022
18	Staas & Halsey LLP	976
19	Wenderoth, Lind & Ponack LLP	939
20	Buchanan Ingersoll & Rooney PC	919
21	Schwegman, Lundberg & Woessner PA	878
22	Merchant & Gould	850
23	Kenyon & Kenyon LLP	849
23	Workman Nydegger PC	849
25	Baker Botts LLP	779

<sup>1</sup> To create the rankings, Ocean Tomo first selected the top 100 law firms according to the number of U.S. utility patents issued over the trailing three year period. Ocean Tomo used patents that have both a prosecuting attorney on the issued patent, and an assignee. Patents that have no assignee on the record were excluded. The resulting set was then sorted based on the average IPQ® score of those patents, top down.

<sup>2</sup> Ocean Tomo uses a regression model to calculate a raw probability score for a patent. Raw scores represent the simple probability that a patent will be maintained for the full statutory term. For convenience these raw scores are mathematically adjusted to provide a normalized mean or nominal expected score of 100. The adjusted score, dubbed IPQ, is akin to the familiar IQ used to score human intelligence. An IPQ® score higher than 100 indicates above average quality (higher expected maintenance rates), while an IPQ(R) score lower than 100 indicates below average quality (lower expected maintenance rates).

<sup>3</sup> The list is comprised of 356 law firms/individuals (the top 25 shown here). Firms are ranked according to the number of utility patents issued in 2009 where the firm/individual is listed as the legal representative on the face of the registration. Averages and percentages have been rounded to the nearest tenth.

<sup>4</sup> The number of utility patents issued in 2009 where the firm/individual is listed as the legal representative on the face of the registration.