



INTRODUCING The IP team

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Introducing Foot Anstey's IP Capability

Intellectual Property

The IP team at Foot Anstey consists of four Partners and a further nine legal professionals. We deal with all IP matters covering the protection, enforcement and exploitation of IP rights around the world, either directly or through our carefully selected associated firms.

Our clients include start ups, small to medium sized businesses and large international companies in a variety of sectors and industries. Our experience extends to advising on all IP issues including trade marks, copyright, designs, patents, domain name disputes, passing off, confidential information, licensing, sponsoring, and franchising.

Paul Cox leads the team and has been recognised by the legal directories for many years as a leading individual in the IP field.

We are members of:



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Our key areas of expertise

Our key areas of expertise include:

- Portfolio management including filing and prosecuting trade marks and designs around the world.
- Issuing and defending trade mark proceedings such as oppositions, invalidity, and revocation actions before the UK IPO and EU IPO.
- Strategic advice on how to protect brands facilitating enforcement of IP rights.
- Advising clients on implementing effective strategies and measures to prevent the sale of counterfeit and unlawful parallel imported goods.
- Resolving IP disputes through pre-action correspondence and alternative dispute resolution such as mediation.
- Issuing and defending Court proceedings including applications for interim injunctions, default judgments, summary judgments and ISP blocking orders.
- Issuing and defending domain name disputes through UDRP proceedings.
- Issuing take down notices to online platforms such as Amazon and eBay and removing infringing content from other websites and platforms.
- Strategic advice on IP and brand ownership within a group structure, and assisting with IP ownership restructuring.
- Drafting and advising clients on all forms of IP licensing arrangements, whether straightforward or complex, and including intra-group and cross-licensing arrangements.
- Advising clients in relation to research and development activities and related agreements, including collaborations and sub-contracting arrangements.
- Supporting clients with the IP aspects of mergers, acquisitions and investment activities.
- Drafting and advising on all forms of commercial contracts with IP considerations, including franchising, sponsorship, and confidentiality agreements.



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Paul Cox
Partner

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Paul heads up the IP Practice at Foot Anstey. He has a wide range of experience in dealing with IP matters including: filing and prosecuting trade marks and designs globally; conducting brand clearance searches; conducting IP litigation in the High Court in relation to all IP rights; devising and implementing anti-counterfeiting strategies; and drafting and negotiating licences and franchise agreements. In such matters, Paul has acted for many household names in several sectors including Retail, Professional Services, Leisure, Food and Drink, Automotive, Technology and Telecoms, and regularly deals with many international disputes through our associated offices around the world.

Legal 500 2016 states that Paul *"is conscious of client needs" and "is able to identify the main issue within the matter at hand"*. He is also regarded as a leading individual within the intellectual property field.



Neil Parkes
Partner

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Neil specialises in contentious IP, anti-piracy and media litigation. Neil is well known and highly regarded for his online content protection work for the creative industries and has acted for many household names in music, film, TV, sport and luxury brands. He advises and represents clients in relation to IP matters, including brand protection and online IP enforcement strategies and has been instrumental in several landmark cases, including the first case to establish the right of trade mark owners to obtain Court orders requiring ISPs to block access to websites selling counterfeit products online (*Cartier International & Ors v BskyB & Ors*). Neil also has expertise in the criminal aspects of IP law, anti-piracy and content protection, including working with law enforcement agencies, advising on investigations and conducting private criminal prosecutions on behalf of IP rights holders.

"Commercial, pragmatic, sensible and focused on the client's objectives". **Legal 500**

"Neil Parkes is a 'safe pair of hands' for media litigation and contentious IP". **Legal 500**

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Peter works with brand owners and alleged infringing parties, both corporate and individual, and regularly advises on copyright, design rights, confidentiality, trade marks and passing off related issues. Peter also has particular experience in the media sector, and advises and acts for regional and national publishers on various aspects of media law including digital and online. He works for a range of clients including those in the Retail, Media, Publishing and Manufacturing sectors.

“Peter Singfield is noted for his experience in IP and brand protection issues.” **Legal 500**



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Martin has 15 years' experience of advising on IP and technology matters. His speciality is advising on matters with complex licensing and cross licensing issues and on management and exploitation of IP rights within the media sector. His expertise includes supporting the firm's media publishing clients among others on IP matters including complex licensing arrangements, media contracts and strategic IP matters. Martin also advises extensively on IP matters within the technology sector having advised retailers, charities, central government, technology providers and e-commerce/data analytics providers on ownership and licensing aspects as part of wider technology transactions.

“Martin Cuell is a key name in the TMT and IP space.” **Legal 500**

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Rachel is a member of our IP team and specialises in IP litigation. Rachel has acted for clients in the High Court and IP Enterprise Court, and has experience in all aspects of IP disputes including infringement of copyright, trade marks, designs (both registered and unregistered) patents, and database rights. She also advises on passing off, and domain name disputes. She has particular experience within the International, Media, and Retail sectors. Rachel also acts in franchising disputes with an IP element. Rachel has completed the prestigious Postgraduate Diploma in IP Law and Practice at Oxford University and, is, as an additional string to her bow, also midway through completing the Postgraduate Diploma in UK, EU and US Copyright Law at Kings College London. She regularly produces IP focused publications and co-authored two IP articles "Passing off Pitfalls" and "Good Communicator?" which were published in the IP Magazine – a leading magazine for IP practitioners which provides in-depth coverage and analysis of all the latest trends in IP law.



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Hannah specialises in advising on the ownership and exploitation of IP rights, and a diverse range of other non-contentious IP matters. She has particular expertise in IP licensing and other exploitation arrangements, and provides strategic advice on IP ownership and management. She also has significant experience of supporting clients on complex IP issues arising within corporate transactions. Hannah regularly acts for clients in the Retail, Media and Energy sectors, and she recently completed a secondment to a major UK University where she acted as interim technology transfer manager.

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Chandni has significant experience of assisting clients in enforcing their IP rights in the UK through criminal and civil proceedings. Over the years, she has built up an extensive network of contacts in Trading Standards and Customs and has regularly assisted clients in devising strategies to prevent the importation, sale and distribution of counterfeit goods in the UK. In addition, Chandni has advised clients on securing appropriate trade mark protection for their brands and designs both in the UK and overseas. Prior to joining Foot Anstey, Chandni undertook several secondments for major retailers including Cath Kidston and Jack Wills.



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Vikki provides assistance to clients on a broad range of commercial disputes, specialising in IP and media matters. She has experience relating to brand and content protection including contractual disputes underpinned by IP rights, infringement of trade marks, copyright and passing off. Vikki also advises clients on breach of confidence and domain name disputes. She has acted for clients in the IP Enterprise Court and the High Court. Vikki's recent experience includes copyright infringement disputes relating to the unauthorised streaming of content.

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Charlene specialises in IP and trade mark matters. She deals with all aspects of trade mark and design right registration and enforcement issues in the UK, EU and worldwide and has considerable experience in managing multi-national trade mark portfolios for clients in a variety of sectors. Charlene regularly deals with matters such as trade mark clearance searching, trade mark registration, trade mark refusals and oppositions. She has a Postgraduate Certificate in Trade Mark Law and Practice.



Henry Beattie
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Henry is a solicitor who advises on various aspects of commercial and non-contentious IP law. Henry's experience includes providing specialist advice in relation to contract drafting and negotiation of a number of commercial agreements (including IP licences, distribution agreements, outsourcing agreements, complex subcontracting arrangements, partnership agreements and supply of goods/services contracts). Henry has also advised on complex IP issues arising in the context of corporate transactions. Henry has experience in acting across a number of sectors, including Retail, Media and Technology. Henry has also recently acted as an interim technology transfer manager at a leading UK Higher Education institution.

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Sam is a solicitor who deals primarily with IP disputes from an editorial perspective, such as photographs and videos from publications which have been used without the consent of the copyright owner. He also has significant experience supporting clients in copyright and unregistered design right infringement in the High Court. Recently he has supported on a large anti-piracy project. Sam obtained a first class law degree from the University of the West of England.



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Ed is a member of our IP team, working on non-contentious matters and will be qualifying as a solicitor in Autumn 2018. Throughout his training contract with Foot Anstey, Ed gained a wide variety of experience in IP, ranging from trade mark registration and trade mark portfolio management, to assisting with advising clients about the development and commercial exploitation of their IP. Ed has also assisted clients in ensuring that they have been granted the necessary IP rights for their business activities, such as obtaining the necessary copyright permissions.

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Jo is a registered trade mark paralegal specialising in all aspects of trade mark portfolio management and maintenance. Jo has particular responsibility for maintaining a complete, accurate and up to date trade mark record database including diarising any deadlines whether statutory, office action or otherwise. Jo regularly communicates with the UK IPO, EU IPO and WIPO and is well versed in the completion of official forms (application, renewal, record applications etc.) and their filing, including online. Jo also prepares detailed trade mark portfolio reports. Jo has significant experience of dealing with overseas agents and handling queries relating to foreign trade mark applications and registrations.

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Foot Anstey: A Full Service Law Firm

Actions speak louder.

TOP 100 UK law firm

One of the largest law firms headquartered outside of London, with a reputation for being entrepreneurial, specialist and easy to do business with.

Our focus on bespoke advice, delivered through premium levels of service, has seen us grow 60% over the last five years, a strong performance which puts the firm amongst the fastest growing in the industry



RECOGNISED AS ONE OF THE FASTEST GROWING IN THE UK
Legal Business



CLIENT RELATIONSHIPS

Our determination and supportive values are major reasons why our clients see us as a vital part of their team.

£16.3 MILLION TOTAL INVESTMENT
Attracting and retaining top tier legal talent together with systems for even greater transparency and client relationships.

£5.2 MILLION IT INFRASTRUCTURE
Sustained investment to enable business growth and efficiency.

£11.1 MILLION TALENT ACQUISITION
Our strategy has seen us recruit from global, City and national firms.

KEEPING AHEAD OF THE GAME
By investing consistently from 2008 - 2015, we are well placed to take advantage of opportunities in an ever changing legal services landscape.



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