



Representative Legal Matters

Helen Macpherson

Patents

- Acting for a world-leading green energy provider and solar cell manufacturer in high value patent infringement and revocation proceedings commenced by Hanwha in the Federal Court of Australia. The Australian proceedings are part of a multijurisdictional dispute in which there are also counterpart proceedings in the US and Germany.
- Acting for a multinational company in a dispute relating to a patented plant gene technology.
- Acting for an Australian company in a dispute relating to a patented non-chemical herbicide system.
- Acting for a French company in a dispute relating to a patented industrial device and method of making that device.
- Acting for an Australian-based medicinal cannabis producer advising on validity issues as they related to a family of patents, in connection with the Australian company's proposed purchase of those patents.
- Advising a French multinational on the issue of entitlement in the context of employee inventions.
- Advising a multinational medical device manufacturer on patent prosecution and assignment issues in the context of a confidential corporate settlement.
- Acting for a multinational biotechnology company on their Australian biologic patent enforcement strategy.*
- Acting for an Australian IT/data company in Australian patent infringement and revocation proceedings relating to wireless sensor networks.*
- Advising a German industrial chemicals company in relation to infringement and validity issues in respect of a patent for the use of inorganic chemicals for fumigating grain stores.*
- Acting for a multinational toy manufacturer in Australian patent infringement and revocation proceedings relating to a mechanical toy, and collaborating with the client's US and Canadian counsel in relation to counterpart litigation in those countries.*
- Acting for a multinational biotechnology company in Australian patent infringement and revocation proceedings relating to a nucleotide analog prodrug for the treatment of Hepatitis C, and collaborating with the client and global counsel team on the coordination of counterpart patent infringement and revocation litigation including in the UK, US, Canada and Germany.*

- Acting for a multinational pharmaceutical company in a series of Australian patent infringement, revocation and amendment proceedings relating to specific crystalline and salt forms of an organic molecule and processes for the manufacture of this organic molecule.*
- Acting for a global tax refund operator in Australian patent opposition and amendment proceedings in relation to dynamic currency conversion technology.*
- Advising a multinational medical device manufacturer on the potential patent infringement issues raised by the repair and reuse of single-use medical devices.*
- Acting for an Australian rail manufacturing company in Australian patent infringement and revocation proceedings relating to particular mechanical components of iron ore wagons.*
- Acting for a multinational manufacturing company in Australian patent infringement and revocation proceedings relating to a single-step sterilization wrap system.*
- Acting for a leading Australian university and its multinational exclusive licensee in Australian patent infringement and revocation proceedings relating to the use of calcium phosphate/casein complexes in the treatment of oral and dental diseases.*
- Acting for a multinational conglomerate in Australian patent infringement and revocation proceedings in relation to the mechanical components of electrical connectors used in the telecommunications industry.*

Plant Variety Rights, Copyright, Moral Rights, Trademarks & Confidential Information

- Advising a major Australian horticultural company on plant variety rights and trademark issues.
- Acting for two global automotive manufacturers in relation to their Australian brand enforcement strategies.
- Acting for a multinational supermarket chain in trademark (infringement, revocation and registrability), passing off and consumer law (misleading and deceptive conduct) proceedings.*
- Acting for a multinational pharmaceutical company in a breach of confidence action relating to the genetic code of plants used to derive an active pharmaceutical ingredient.*
- Acting for an Australian wagering and gaming company in copyright infringement proceedings relating to copyright in betting odds.*
- Acting for a multinational pharmaceutical company in trade mark infringement proceedings.*
- Acting for a healthcare industry provider in consumer law (misleading and deceptive conduct) proceedings relating to the industry provider's choice of corporate name.*
- Acting for a multinational pharmaceutical company in consumer law (misleading and deceptive conduct) proceedings relating to an OTC marketing campaign.*
- Acting for a property group and real estate investment trust in moral rights proceedings under the Australian Copyright Act.*

* Helen acted on these matters prior to joining Baker McKenzie