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## **BARDEHLE PAGENBERG elevates its patent litigation practice by hiring Dr. Volkmar Henke and Dr. Tilman Müller as equity partners, and establishes an office in Hamburg, Germany**

BARDEHLE PAGENBERG elevates its team by hiring two of Germany's leading attorneys-at-law, Dr. Volkmar Henke and Dr. Tilman Müller, as equity partners in early 2023. The experts for patent litigation join from the mixed firm Eisenführ Speiser and will establish an office at the UPC location Hamburg, Germany, on behalf of BARDEHLE PAGENBERG.

"We are extraordinarily happy to have won two extremely reputable patent litigation experts for our litigation group, which is continuously growing; thus, we are represented at the significant UPC locations Munich, Duesseldorf, Hamburg, and Paris," says Johannes Heselberger, Managing Partner of BARDEHLE PAGENBERG. He continues: "Volkmar Henke and Tilman Müller have longstanding experience in ambitious international high-profile proceedings, particularly in SEP and FRAND cases from the perspective of plaintiffs. We consider the fact that two top-class litigation experts from the first ranks of the sector both chose us and our market strategy right before the start of the UPC a distinctly lucky development for our firm."

Volkmar Henke und Tilman Müller add: "We are really excited to become part of the family of BARDEHLE PAGENBERG which perfectly matches our strategic orientation. BARDEHLE PAGENBERG offers an outstanding platform for comprehensively advising our clients in the context of complex disputes. Especially the cooperation with one of Germany's leading patent litigation groups provides us with optimal potential, both on a national and international level, particularly regarding our SEP expertise from the perspective of patent owners. We would like to extend our thanks to our former colleagues and partners with whom we have shared outstanding and successful years in the patent litigation group of Eisenführ Speiser."

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Dr. Volkmar Henke is a patent litigator and specializes in patent litigation in the areas of mobile communication, audio and video coding, semiconductor technology, circuit design, and electrical engineering. He advises large multinationals and SMEs, including patent pools and owners of standard-essential patents, primarily in complex disputes, and coordinates comprehensive international proceedings which are conducted in parallel in multiple jurisdictions.

Volkmar Henke represents clients in patent infringement proceedings as well as invalidity, opposition, and revocation proceedings before the various infringement courts, the German Federal Patent Court, the German Federal Court of Justice, the European Patent Office, and the German Patent and Trade Mark Office. Due to his comprehensive experience in conducting and coordinating cross-border patent litigation, he is a much sought-after partner for clients acting on the international stage.



**Dr. jur. Tilman Müller**

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Dr. Tilman Müller specializes in patent infringement proceedings and parallel invalidity proceedings. His work focuses on the representation of patent pools, the enforcement of standard-essential patents, and all related antitrust issues. Tilman Müller became particularly known by representing Access Advance and Via Licensing as well as the patent owners of these two pools in comprehensive infringement and validity proceedings. For many years, he has also acted for Philips in patent disputes in various technological areas.

Additionally, Tilman Müller has vast experience in drawing up licensing programs and relevant agreements as well as enforcing them, including in arbitration. In this context, he also accompanied and shaped the creation of several international standardization organizations in the field of lighting.

Tilman Müller is familiar with various technologies and, for example, advises clients in the areas of video and audio coding, consumer electronics, medical devices, and communications technology, lighting, and chemistry.

**BARDEHLE PAGENBERG** combines the professional expertise of attorneys-at-law, patent attorneys, professional representatives before the European Patent Office, specialized trademark lawyers and qualified technical consultants. Our consulting services are tailored to our clients' individual needs and the specific circumstances of each case.

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