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## **BARDEHLE PAGENBERG starts the year strong with eight promotions and a new managing partner**

**As 2026 begins, BARDEHLE PAGENBERG promotes eight attorneys: Pascal Böhner is now an equity partner, three associates and one counsel have been appointed as partners, and three associates have been promoted to counsel. At the same time, Tobias Kaufmann has assumed the role of managing partner.**

As the newly elected managing partner, **Tobias Kaufmann** is pleased to announce more promotions within its team of patent attorneys and attorneys-at-law than ever before in the firm's history: "Eight promotions at the beginning of the year send a strong signal that our team is evolving in a highly future-oriented way, driven by its own strength."

**Pascal Böhner**, previously a salary partner of the firm and expert in unfair competition, trademark, design, and domain law, takes on additional responsibility as equity partner.

**Dr. Ronja Schregle, Dr. Martin Drews, Daniel Werner, and Dr. Marius Fischer** have been admitted to the partnership. **Dr. Michael Waschak, Sihoh Chang, and Dr. Philipp Bovenkamp** have been promoted to counsel.

"Our new partners and counsel bring not only excellent expertise, but also exceptional dedication to our clients and our team. Their highly diverse backgrounds demonstrate that our talent development approach takes all talents into account. This commitment shapes our firm's values and forms the foundation for successful work for our international client base," adds Tobias Kaufmann.

Johannes Lang, who served as a partner of the firm for 26 years and most recently as managing partner, stepped down from the partnership at the end of 2025. He will continue to support BARDEHLE PAGENBERG with his expertise as of counsel. The entire team extends its sincere gratitude to him for his exceptional commitment and inspiring leadership.

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## **Pascal Böhner**

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Pascal Böhner's practice focuses on trademark law, design law, unfair competition law, and copyright law.

In trademark and design law, one of his focuses is on the judicial and extrajudicial enforcement and defense of IP rights in infringement, opposition, and nullity proceedings. In addition, Pascal Böhner has extensive experience in the strategic development and management of intellectual property portfolios, from prosecution strategy and ongoing portfolio maintenance to the valuation of IP portfolios.

In competition law, Pascal Böhner advises primarily on issues of protection from imitation and advertising law, regularly including interfaces with regulatory requirements, for example in pharmaceutical law or food law.

His other areas of practice include domain law. Pascal Böhner primarily counsels clients in WIPO arbitration proceedings, where he has also been active as a domain arbitrator (panelist) since 2025.

Additionally, Pascal Böhner advises on licensing and antitrust matters as well as IT law.

Pascal Böhner brings particular industry experience in the areas of fashion, entertainment, sports and leisure equipment, food, and consumer goods.

**Ronja M. Schregle**

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Ronja Schregle's practice focuses on patent and trade secret litigation. She has special experience in national and cross-border patent infringement proceedings, the strategic protection of confidential information in litigation, and damages proceedings in the technology and life sciences sector.

She regularly writes publications on current developments in her field and is a speaker at national and international conferences.

Her professional expertise is rooted in her academic work at the Chair of Corporate and Intellectual Property Law at the Technical University of Munich and at the Institute for International Law at LMU Munich. She gained international experience, *inter alia*, at the Economic Department of the Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the United Nations in New York.

Ronja Schregle advises clients in German, English, and Spanish.

**Martin Drews**

Dr. jur.

Dr. Martin Drews is an attorney-at-law who specializes in national and cross-border patent litigation. He represents clients in complex patent infringement and nullity proceedings before the Unified Patent Court, German courts as well as in opposition proceedings before the European Patent Office and the German Patent and Trademark Office. His main areas of expertise are automotive, biotechnology, medical technology, and telecommunications.

Martin Drews has vast knowledge of German and European research and innovation systems, which he gained as a personal advisor to a Parliamentary State Secretary in the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research and as a research policy

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#### **Daniel Werner**

M.Sc. (Electrical Engineering  
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In his daily work, Daniel Werner draws on his long-standing experience as a professional patent consultant and on knowledge gained from a large number of cases successfully concluded in various fields of Intellectual Property: Patent prosecution, expert opinions regarding patent law or technology in patentability, validity and FTO matters, Competitive Intelligence as well as patent searches. He handles patent infringement and invalidity proceedings before the Unified Patent Court and German courts as well as opposition and appeal proceedings before the competent European and German offices.

Daniel Werner specializes in electrical engineering and information technology in general as well as in semiconductor technology, telecommunications and mobile communications, soft- and hardware, signal processing, electric machines, actuator design, and in parts of the manufacturing sector (e. g. textiles and fashion items).

**Marius Fischer**

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Marius Fischer combines extensive experience in both prosecution and litigation matters. He advises and represents clients before German courts, the German Patent and Trademark Office, the European Patent Office, and the Unified Patent Court (UPC).

Marius Fischer combines strong technical insight with in-depth knowledge of patent law. His technical background is rooted in his studies of physics and his work as a developer for a successful Munich-based start-up.

He laid the foundation for his expertise in patent law even before he began working as a patent attorney, during his doctorate in law.

Marius Fischer's technical focus areas include electrical engineering, digital and information technology, and physics in general, with particular emphasis on telecommunications as well as audio and video coding. He also regularly advises clients in the fields of medical technology and sporting goods, and is likewise trusted by companies in the automotive and aerospace industries.

**Michael Wolfgang Waschak**

Dr.-Ing.

Dr. Michael Wolfgang Waschak is a European Patent Attorney and focuses on the field of electrical engineering, particularly telecommunications, processor technology, audio and video coding, control engineering, and electric machines. In addition to handling patent prosecution, opposition and appeal proceedings before the European Patent Office, he regularly participates in technologically complex patent infringement proceedings before all relevant civil courts and parallel invalidity proceedings before the German Federal Patent Court.

Dr. Waschak draws on knowledge and experience from his career in industry, having worked as an engineer, project lead, and program manager. He was responsible for multidisciplinary industrial research

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and development projects in international settings on  
several continents.

Dr. Waschak is the inventor of several patents as well  
as author of scientific publications in the field of  
electronic engineering with a focus on electrical  
drives and renewable energies.



### **Sihoh Chang**

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Sihoh Chang has had extensive experience in Korean,  
EP, and US patent prosecutions, appeals and many  
other IP-related opinion work regarding validity and  
infringement for various domestic and foreign  
clients.

He specializes in electrical engineering, electronics,  
telecommunications, and standard-essential mobile  
communication patents.

Sihoh Chang has a diverse academic background in  
electronics engineering, information communication,  
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Philipp Bovenkamp handles comprehensive patent prosecution proceedings before the European Patent Office and the German Patent and Trade Mark Office on behalf of our clients.

His work further focuses on the analysis of intellectual property rights in the context of infringement and validity opinions and on handling complex patent infringement and invalidity proceedings before national courts and the Unified Patent Court on behalf of our clients.

He acquired the necessary technical knowledge through his years of working for our clients and his studies of physics (fields of focus: medical physics, solid-state physics, and nanotechnology).

\* For a list of the members of our PartGmbB, see our [Legal Notices](#).

For further information on the international team of attorneys and patent attorneys of BARDEHLE PAGENBERG, please visit <https://www.bardehle.com/en/team>

**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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His work further focuses on the analysis of intellectual property rights in the context of infringement and validity opinions and on handling complex patent infringement and invalidity proceedings before national courts and the Unified Patent Court on behalf of our clients. The technical focus of his work for our clients is on telecommunications, data processing and coding, (micro) electronics, medical devices, and mechanics.

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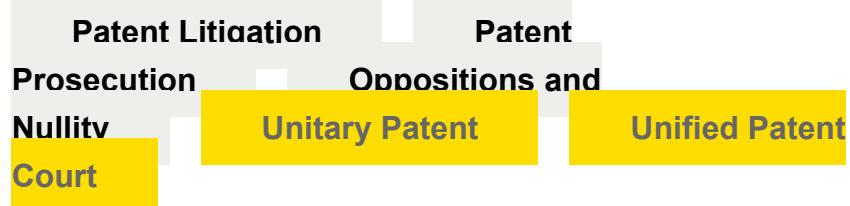
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**Electrical Engineering**

**Medical Devices**

**Software, IT & Computer Technology**

**Telecommunications**

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German Association for the Protection of Intellectual  
Property (GRUR)  
German Physical Society (DPG)

2026

2026 - today

Counsel of the firm

2023

2023

Registration as a Representative before the UPC

2021

2021

Licensed to practice as a European Patent Attorney

2020

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Patent Attorney at BARDEHLE PAGENBERG, Munich,  
Germany

2020

Admitted to the German Chamber of Patent Attorneys

2019

2019

Professional training at the German Patent and Trademark  
Office and at the Federal Patent Court in Munich, Germany

2017

2017 - 2019

Studies of law for patent attorneys at the remote-learning  
university FernUniversität Hagen, Germany

2016

2016 - 2019

Patent engineer at BARDEHLE PAGENBERG, Düsseldorf,  
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2013

2013 - 2017

Ph. D. at the Department of Physics at Westfälische Wilhelms  
University Münster, Germany

2013 - 2016

Research assistant at the Department of Clinical Radiology at  
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2011

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Master's Degree in Physics at Westfälische Wilhelms  
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