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THE FIRM

Top Team International Patent & Trademark Office is a highly-ranked specialty IP firm founded in 1985 by Mr. Henry C.W. Hong. The firm is one of the largest and most reputable specialty IP firms in Taiwan, with a staff of more than 180, including lawyers, IP attorneys, patent engineers and IP specialists. The firm provides its clients with high-quality, timely and cost-effective prosecution, litigation support, arbitration, licensing and counseling services and takes great pride in its long standing client relationships and continual positive word-of-mouth referrals. The firm, led by Mr. Hong and its executive committee, works in a wide variety of fields, serving a host of industries and institutions, both in Taiwan and internationally.

For over 30 years, Top Team International Patent & Trademark Office has provided quality cross-border IP services to Taiwan's top government and research institutes, and leading Taiwan and international companies. The firm has helped its clients to secure tens of thousands of patents in Taiwan, the US, Europe, Japan and other foreign countries.

The firm provides services in all aspects of IP prosecution, including the drafting of technical and scientific patent specifications, the filing and prosecution of patent, trademark and integrated circuit layout applications, the filing and prosecution of patent re-examinations, reissues and interference, the monitoring, maintaining and renewing of patent registrations, counseling on infringement and validity, due diligence, advising on out-of-court settlements, copyrights and litigation support.

The highly qualified lawyers, IP attorneys and patent engineers in the patent group are well-versed in such fields as semiconductors, chemistry, biochemistry, electrical engineering, physics, computer science, mechanical engineering and life sciences. Over three-fourths of the firm's patent engineers have upper graduate degrees from top universities in Taiwan and other countries, and the remainder has over a decade of practical experience in their respective fields. All are multilingual.

The lawyers, IP attorneys and IP specialists in the trademark group work exclusively in the fields of trademark, counseling and representing Taiwan and international clients from diverse businesses and industries, including science and technology companies, consumer and service companies, media and entertainment companies, manufacturers, retailers, academic and government institutions, and sports entities.

The firm's IP specialists in the translation group have vast experience in the legal and technical aspects of IP writings. Many of Top Team's senior patent engineers have worked at the firm for close to a decade, providing accurate and quality translations to Taiwan and international clients. The firm specialises in translating between Chinese (traditional or simplified) and English or Japanese.

The firm's lawyers, IP attorneys, and IP specialists in the litigation support group provide legal and litigation support services to Taiwan and international companies and institutions and have over a decade of experience in the administrative, district, high and supreme courts, bench and jury trials, injunction proceedings, arbitrations and appellate matters.

LANGUAGES

Chinese

English

Japanese

MAIN CONTACTS

Firm Leadership
Patent, semiconductor and display technology
Patent, biotechnology and pharmaceutical
Patent, electronics and circuit design
Patent, mechanical and consumer devices
Patent, chemical and material science
Patent, communication, software and computer science
Trademark
Integrated circuit design
Translation
Litigation support

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INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY: PROSECUTION

Tier 1

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Tier 2

The patent & trademark Office at Top Team International Patent & Trademark Office is a highly capable outfit specialising in global patent drafting, patent and trademark prosecution, patent strategy development, and litigation support. Catering to multinational clients in Taiwan, the US, Europe, and in particular, Japan, the firm is a well regarded for its contentious and non-contentious IP work. Henry C.W Hong focuses on operations management and patent strategy development in the technology sector, while Lydia Wong brings decades of experience to her leadership of the trademark department. Peggy Wu , chairperson of International Affair Committee of the Taiwan Patent Attorneys Association, is an expert in worldwide patent prosecution. Jessica T.C Chen focuses on patentability, non-infringement, and invalidity opinion letters for semiconductor and material science manufacturers.

Leading individual

Peggy Wu



MS JESSICA T.C CHEN

WORK DEPARTMENT

Managing Committee, Patent Group | Semiconductor and Display

POSITION

Executive Senior Tech. Manager

CAREER

Jessica (Tsai-Chi) Chen is one of the managing members of the Executive Committee of TOPTEAM and is the team leader of the Chemistry/Material Group of the Patent Department. Her practice covers domestic and international intellectual property matters, particularly specializing in the fields of semiconductor, display, chemical and material science.

Ms. Chen has vast experience in local and worldwide patent prosecution matters in pre-grant and post-grant proceedings, including the preparation of office action responses and client counseling on patentability, non-infringement, invalidity opinion letters, and patent searches. Prior to joining TOPTEAM, she was a researcher at China Chemical & Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. (CCPC).

LANGUAGES

English, Japanese, Chinese

MEMBERSHIPS

Taiwan Patent Attorneys Association (TWPA);
Asian Patent Attorneys Association (APAA);
Association Internationale pour la Protection de la Propriete Federation (AIPPI).

EDUCATION

National Taiwan University of Science and Technology, M.S.S, Graduate Institute of Patent;
National Taiwan University of Science and Technology, B.S., Chemical Engineering.

LEISURE

Ms. Chen enjoys traveling, yoga and meditation.



MR HENRY C.W HONG

WORK DEPARTMENT

Managing Committee

POSITION

Owner and President

CAREER

Henry C.W. Hong is the founder and owner of TOPTEAM International Patent and Trademark Office. He has built and leads an elite team specializing in patent specification drafting, cross-border patent and trademark prosecution, worldwide IP protection strategy development, as well as litigation proceedings and transaction matters. His team has been highly recognized for its work ethic and high-quality services. The majority of new clients are recommended by our existing clients.

Supported by over three decades' experience in the field and his intuitive grasp of complex matters, Mr. Hong offers insightful advice on issues ranging from patentability, non-infringement and invalidity to technology licensing, patent prosecution, re-issue, foreign opposition, etc.

Mr. Hong is also a highly proactive and an involved member of the Taiwan Patent Attorney Association (TWPA), where he was the first chairperson of the Patent Committee and Japanese Affairs Committee and one of the standing councilors on the Board of Directors from 2015 to 2018.

Prior to founding TOPTEAM, Mr. Hong was employed as a design engineer and patent engineer and was a Senior Engineer for the Industry Development Bureau of the Taiwan Government's Ministry of Economic Affairs.

He received his bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from National Taiwan University and his master's degree in industrial mechanical engineering from the University of Tokyo. He also completed the law program of continuing education at the College of Law and Business, National Chung-Hsin University and the training program in Chinese Law, School of Law, Tsinghua University.

LANGUAGES

English, Japanese, Chinese

MEMBERSHIPS

Taiwan Patent Attorneys Association (TWPA);
Asian Patent Attorneys Association (APAA); International Trademark Association (INTA);
Association Internationale pour la Protection de la Propriete Federation (AIPPI).

EDUCATION

University of Tokyo, M.S., Industrial Mechanical Engineering;
National Taiwan University, B.S., Mechanical Engineering



MR NICK TUNG

WORK DEPARTMENT

Managing Committee, Patent Group | Mechanical and Consumer devices

POSITION

Executive Senior Tech. Manager

CAREER

Nick Tung is the Senior Manager of TOPTEAM International Patent & Trademark Office. He is also a member of the Executive Committee. He has extensive knowledge and experience in patent prosecution and litigation matters in domestic and international jurisdictions. He has practiced in the intellectual property field since 1997 with a solid background in mechanical engineering and design. Mr. Tung has also represented clients in patent litigation proceedings before the Intellectual Property Court of Taiwan and counsels clients on non-infringement and invalidity.

Mr. Tung is a registered Taiwan patent attorney, and is well-versed in the mechanical and consumer device fields.

LANGUAGES

English, Japanese, Chinese

MEMBERSHIPS

Taiwan Patent Attorneys Association (TWPAA);
Asian Patent Attorneys Association (APAA).

EDUCATION

National Chiao Tung University, M.S., Mechanical Engineering;
National Cheng Kung University, B.S., Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering.



MS MEI-CHUN WANG

WORK DEPARTMENT

Managing Committee, IP Service Department

POSITION

Senior Executive Manager

CAREER

Mei-Chun Wang is the Senior Executive Manager of the IP Service Department and a member of the Managing Committee. She oversees patent prosecution and trademark filings from Japan and the greater China region. With her many years' experience in this field, Ms. Wang offers clients practical and insightful advice.

Before joining the TOPTEAM, she studied in Japan for six years. In addition to having a good command of Japanese, she is also well-versed in the culture and conventions there.

LANGUAGES

English, Japanese, Chinese

EDUCATION

Toyo University, B.A., Education



MS LYDIA WONG

WORK DEPARTMENT

Managing Committee, Legal & Trademark Department

POSITION

Principle Attorney at Law

CAREER

Lydia Wong joined TOPTeam in late 2018. She is now a member of the Managing Committee and leads the Trademark and Litigation team covering IPR matters in Taiwan and overseas. Her diversified and comprehensive experience in litigation, as well as corporate matters, enables her to respond quickly to clients' needs and offer informative and adequate advice on Infringement verification, IPR enforcement, and strategic planning for cooperative branding, trademark alignment, IPR protection, etc.

Ms. Wong received her LL.M. degree with a focus on Intellectual Property Law from National Taiwan University and passed the bar exam in 2008. She has practiced law since 2009 and successfully represented clients from a variety of industries, including construction, solar energy, food, film production, etc. She has also advised leading companies on corporate governance, legal matters, and litigation strategy planning, among other issues to best benefit the business.

LANGUAGES

Chinese, English

MEMBERSHIPS

Taipei Bar Association;
Yulin Bar Association;
Association Internationale pour la Protection de la Propriété Intellectuelle (AIPPI);
International Trademark Association (INTA).

EDUCATION

National Taiwan University, LL.M.;
National Taipei University, LL.B.

LEISURE

In her spare time, Ms. Wong loves traveling, working out, cooking, and enjoying gourmet food and wine. She believes those beautiful things help her better balance life and work.



MS PEGGY WU

WORK DEPARTMENT

Managing Committee, IP Service Department

POSITION

Executive Director

CAREER

Supported by 20 years' experience in patent and design prosecution worldwide, Peggy Wu provides advice on global patent development and management, as well as useful guidelines to formulate IP filing and protection strategies for leading companies, independent inventors, startups, small-to-medium-size OEM/ODM and product companies.

Ms. Wu works closely with clients to enhance the protection of their innovations, strengthen their portfolios, balance their costs, manage patent licensing and transaction, and implement and evolve their patent filing strategies along with their business development. She is knowledgeable in the areas of semiconductors, chemical, pharmaceutical, and business-method.

Before joining TOPTEAM in 2000, Ms. Wu was a researcher at the Pharmaceutical Industry Technology and Development Center (PITDC) with her bio-science and chemistry background. She has been granted patents on her research findings in several countries. She also once worked as an IP specialist for an Internet company, where she acquired abundant knowledge and experience in computer technology.

LANGUAGES

English, Chinese

MEMBERSHIPS

Taiwan Patent Attorneys Association (TWPAA);
Asian Patent Attorneys Association (APAA);
Association Internationale pour la Protection de la Propriete Federation (AIPPI);

EDUCATION

National Taiwan University, M.S., Agricultural Chemistry;
National Taiwan University B.S., Agricultural Chemistry.

LEISURE

Camping, Practice Taiwanese tea ceremony, Cooking



MR JONATHAN YEN

WORK DEPARTMENT

Managing Committee, Patent Group | Electronics and Circuit Design; Communication, Software and Computer science

POSITION

Managing Director

CAREER

Johnathan Yen is the Executive Director and is a managing committee member of TOPTeam International Patent & Trademark Office. He is a registered Taiwan Patent Attorney, a Professional Engineer, and a qualified China Patent Agent. Since 1995, his practice has covered domestic and cross-border patent prosecution in a range of technical areas, including electronics, circuit design, communication, and computer science fields.

Mr. Yen has vast experience in patent prosecution, both pre-grant and post grant proceedings. He has also represented clients in litigation proceedings before the Intellectual Property Court in Taiwan and advises on patentability, non-infringement, and invalidity opinion letters.

LANGUAGES

English, Japanese, Chinese

MEMBERSHIPS

Taiwan Patent Attorneys Association (TWPA);
Asian Patent Attorneys Association (APAA)

EDUCATION

National Taiwan University, M.S., Electrical Engineering;
National Chiao Tung University, B.S., Electrical Engineering;