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Ramon A. Klitzke II

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EDUCATION

- J.D., Marquette University, 1980
- B.S., *magna cum laude* in Mechanical Engineering, minor in Metallurgy, University of South Carolina, 1977

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Oregon, 1980
- Wisconsin, 1980 (inactive)
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (Reg. No. 30,188)

YEAR JOINED FIRM

1980

PRACTICE AREAS

Copyrights
Intellectual Property Counseling
Licensing & Technology Transfer
Litigation
Outsourced "In-House" IP Counsel
Patents: Design, International, and Utility
Trade Secrets
Trademarks
Startups & Emerging Businesses

TECHNOLOGIES

Agriculture & Food Science
Consumer Products
Mechanical
Medical Devices & Diagnostics
Physics & Optics

PRACTICE AREA OVERVIEW

Mr. Klitzke practices all phases of patent, trademark, and copyright law, including preparation and prosecution of U.S. and foreign patent applications, design patents, and trademark applications, and has experience in patent and trademark litigation, IP audits, IP due diligence, product clearance, and trade dress protection for product configurations.

TECHNICAL EXPERTISE

Mr. Klitzke has experience in consumer products, biomedical devices, and electro-mechanical devices. Additionally, Mr. Klitzke's experience includes work with food processing, manufacturing systems, lumber processing systems, and power transmission.

PRIOR PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Koehring Company, Patent Department

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Board Member, Oregon Patent Law Association
- Federal Practice and Procedure Committee
- Marquette Law Review
- Past Chairman, Oregon State Bar Patent and Trademark Section
- Past Programming Chair, Joint OPLA/WSPLA CLE

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2008-2017 *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Portland, OR, Patent Law and Trademark Law
- 2013 and 2016 *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Portland, OR, Trademark Law Lawyer of the Year
- 2012, 2015, and 2017 *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Portland, OR, Patent Law Lawyer of the Year
- 2008-2009, 2012-2016 *Oregon Super Lawyers*®
- 2014-2015 *IP Stars*, Managing IP Magazine

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- 2014, 2016-2017 *World Trademark Review 1000: The World's Leading Trademark Professionals*
- 2013-2014 *Top Rated Lawyer in Intellectual Property Law*, American Lawyer Media and Martindale-Hubbell™
- *AV® Preeminent™* Martindale-Hubbell, Intellectual Property, established in 2001
- 2008-2010 Top Lawyers by *Portland Monthly*
- Phi Beta Kappa; St. Thomas More Scholar; Tau Beta Pi

PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

- May 2014, World Patent & Trademark News, "Many Foreign Filings at Risk in U.S."

REPRESENTATIVE PATENTS

- Audio transducer improvements (5,450,497) (5,249,237) (5,230,021)
- Audio transducer with flexible foam enclosure (5,570,429)
- Ball bat (6,251,034)
- Drogue for sports bats and clubs (5,803,838)
- Food processing apparatus (5,343,791)
Grafting machine (6,148,560)
- Process for preparing frozen potato or root vegetable strips (6,514,554)
- Proportional length food slicing system (8,156,851) (7,789,000)
- Apparatus for supporting medical lines (8,679,065)
- Thimble with element retaining feature (8,256,981)