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- An experienced litigator in Dispute Resolution
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- Acts for a wide range of clients from individuals to multi-nationals assisting them in the searching, selection, filing, registration, maintenance and then enforcement of trade mark rights on a global basis.
- Helps to manage a number of global IP portfolios for clients, seeking to maximise the effective scope of their protection whilst helping clients to stay within closely defined budgets.



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- Specialises in protection, exploitation and enforcement across the range of intellectual property rights, including trade marks, copyright, patents, designs and confidential information
- Has particular expertise in protecting and enforcing brands and I act for clients in many different sectors including the retail, manufacturing, engineering, media, financial and technology sectors.



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- UK and European trade mark specialist including prosecuting inter partes matters, clearance and producing, reviewing and devising strategies for trade mark and design portfolios at UK and worldwide level
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- Irish, UK and EU qualified trade mark and design attorney
- Trade mark clearances searches and common law searches to clear trade marks for use and registration
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About Lewis Silkin

Lewis Silkin is a full service commercial law firm with offices in London, Cardiff, Oxford, Dublin and Hong Kong. Our Brands and IP group includes over 50 lawyers and trade mark attorneys.

Our services

Unlike many law firms where trade mark searches and applications are invariably subcontracted to trade mark agents, at Lewis Silkin we operate a one stop shop for trade mark, design and domain name registration, disputes, transactional advice and portfolio management. We believe it is essential that our lawyers should be familiar with every facet of law and practice relating to trade marks. We are involved at each stage of the brand lifecycle from the checking on availability of names and securing trade mark registrations, to pursuing infringers and the provision of transactional advice on the disposal of a brand.

The group acts for all brand owner businesses' brands, names and designs that require protection in a wide range of sectors including marketing, retail, fashion, media, entertainment, sports, finances services, technology and leisure. We represent many clients on a worldwide scale.

Many overseas law firms entrust us with their clients' trade mark work in the UK and across Europe.

Our IP litigation team has advised on some of the highest profile recent UK and European trade mark cases including; *Lush v. Amazon*; *Enterprise v. Europcar*; and *Jack Wills v. House of Frazer*.

Whilst we advise on all aspects of intellectual property, from a purely trade marks perspective the following services are commonly provided to both UK and overseas clients:

- Conduct and advise on trade mark and common law searches

- Advising on filing strategy
- File and prosecute UK, European Union and Madrid Protocol trade mark applications
- IP portfolio management
- IP licensing and assignments
- Competition issues and parallel imports
- Transactional advice, including due diligence
- Trade mark proceedings (such as oppositions, revocations and appeals) before the European Union and United Kingdom Intellectual Property Offices
- IP actions before the UK Courts and the Court of Justice of the European Union
- Anti-counterfeiting and trading standards/customs liaison
- IP dispute settlement negotiation and mediation services
- Domain name management
- Domain name disputes
- Social media takedowns

Recent news

Brexit

With Article 50 triggered, the UK will be leaving the EU. Whilst there is much uncertainty around the post-exit trade mark landscape, it is clear that UK firms will need an EU presence. This was one of the factors behind the launch of Lewis Silkin's latest office in Dublin servicing our clients' IP, commercial and employment needs. Opened in April, it is staffed by both local Irish lawyers and jointly qualified UK lawyers.

AdSlogans

A further development in April was our acquisition of AdSlogans, a unique company specialising in searching for advertising strap lines. For over 20 years Lewis Silkin has been the go-to IP firm for advertising agencies in the UK. Acquiring AdSlogans forms an important part of our search strategy for clearing lines to be used in advertising,

helping offer clients a seamless service for branding projects and campaigns.

What others say about us

Ranked No.1 for Brand Management by Legal 500

Ranked in Silver category in World Trade Mark Review's WTR 1000 2018 publication

"The team is bright, commercial and approachable. The strength and depth of expertise among the associates is impressive." Chambers UK

Lewis Silkin LLP is singled out for its 'good technical knowledge, commercial approach and responsiveness'. Legal 500


"renders some of the most holistic support to brand owners on the market" World Trade Mark Review

The World's Leading Trademark Professionals 2018 - Dominic Farnsworth earns plaudits from US foreign associates, who call him *"responsive and meticulous"* and *"someone you can trust to do an excellent job on UK and EU filings, as well as provide superb assistance on advertising issues."*

The World's Leading Trademark Professionals 2018 - Simon Chapman *"provides sound and creative counsel, and does a terrific job defining the pros and cons of different actions". When you follow his advice, you can achieve great results in litigation, opposition and cancellation proceedings – he can be recommended unconditionally."*

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