



HELMUT SONN

DI, born 1939

Partner

Austrian Patentanwalt

European Patent Attorney

European Trademark and Design Attorney

Sworn Certified Court Expert

Expert Lay Judge
at the Commercial Court Vienna

Judge at the International Arbitration Court
of the Austrian Federal Economic Chamber

Education and Career

2000 Sworn Certified Court Expert

since 1982 Expert Lay Judge at the Commercial Court Vienna

1979 European Patent Attorney

since 1975 Judge at the International Arbitration Court of the Austrian Federal Economic Chamber

1971 Partner, Patentanwälte Sonn & Pawloy

1971 Austrian Patentanwalt

1966 – 1971 Patent Attorney Trainee with Patent Attorney Dr. Alexander Sonn

1966 DI, University of Technology, Vienna, theoretical physics

Practice Area

Trademark and design law

Court proceedings, especially patent litigation

Interaction of different areas of laws with IP law

Licence agreements

Compensation agreements with inventors, especially for employees' inventions, including court proceedings

Documentation and evaluation of IP portfolios

Deprivation and *restitutio in integrum* proceedings

Representation before the Customs Authorities in cases of seized piracy goods (product piracy)

Memberships and Functions

Austrian Patentanwaltskammer (vice president 1973 – 1982, board member 1985 – 2003, president of the legal committee since 2003)

Austrian Intellectual Property Law Association (Österreichische Vereinigung für Gewerblichen Rechtsschutz und Urheberrecht; president 1995 – 2010)

FICPI (Fédération Internationale des Conseils en Propriété Industrielle, International Association of IP Attorneys; vice president 1988 – 1991, president 1991-1994, president of honour as well as councillor since 1994)

AIPPI (Association Internationale pour la Protection de la Propriété Intellectuelle, International Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property; president of honour since 1997; president of AIPPI Austria 1995 – 2010)

epi (Professional Representatives before the European Patent Office)

ECTA (Austrian council member since 1994)

LES (Licensing Executives Society) Austria (Österreichische Gesellschaft für Lizenzwesen und Technologietransfer; founding member, president 1986 – 1987 as well as 1990 – 1997, vice president 1997 – 2008)

INTA (International Trademark Association)

ABA (American Bar Association)

CIPA (Chartered Institute of Patent Attorneys; foreign member 1974 – 2008)

Languages

German, English, French, Spanish