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French | English



About Catherine

Catherine Muyl leads the firm's Intellectual Property & Technology Practice in Paris. While her practice focuses on intellectual property litigation, she also advises clients on brand protection, IT agreements and data privacy.

Catherine has extensive experience representing clients in domestic and cross-border IP disputes related to patents, trademarks, copyright, registered designs, software and related rights (including databases). She also represents clients in infringement and cancellation cases and inventorship disputes.

Catherine represents clients on trademark issues before the French and European Union Trademark Offices as well as on domain name disputes (including UDRP procedures).

Since 2001, Catherine has been advising clients in the area of data protection. She advises on GDPR compliance and represents clients in breach response and related litigation.

Experience

Intellectual property

- Handling trademark and copyright cases for a major player in the field of electronic goods.
- Advised an international consortium in relation to a patent infringement action for use of certain standards in the financial field.
- Successfully represented a large aerospace client in an inventorship case related to the landing gear of a well-known airplane.
- Represented client in a complex and multi-faceted patent litigation in the field of oil production which gave rise to 17 decisions issued by French civil and criminal courts; 15 of them were successful and two were commented upon in legal magazines on account of them raised interesting legal issues.

Data Protection

- Assisted a global technology company with responding to a data breach that impacted 3.4 million users. Services included reporting the breach to the French Supervisory Authority and advising on litigation issues.
- Representing a worldwide technology platform in a high-profile case brought by a non-profit organisation where the action was based on the French Data Protection Law.

Credentials

Education

- CAPA1987
- Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne DEA Droit des Affaires, 1986
- Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne - King's College London Degree in English and French laws, 1985

Admissions

- Paris, 1988

Memberships & Affiliations

- Association des Praticiens du Droit des Marques et des Modèles (APRAM)
- International Association of Privacy Professionals (IAPP)
- Licensing Executive Society (LES)
- Association Française des Correspondants à la protection des Données à caractère Personnel (AFCDP)
- Advancing Women in Technology, Law and Policy (ChIPs)

Recognitions

- Recognised for Biotechnology and Life Sciences Practice, Intellectual Property Law, and Privacy and Data Security Law, by *The Best Lawyers in France* 2023 edition.
- Listed in 2022 *The Legal 500 Europe, Middle East & Africa* (France: Intellectual Property: Trade marks and Designs).
- Recognised for Biotechnology and Life Sciences Practice, Intellectual Property Law, and Privacy and Data Security Law, by *The Best Lawyers in France* 2022 edition.
- Listed in 2020 *The Legal 500 Europe, Middle East & Africa* (France: Intellectual Property: Trade marks and Designs)
- Listed in *Décideurs Juridiques* (Trademarks and Designs: Forte Notoriété 2; Telecom: Pratique Réputée; Data Protection: Forte Notoriété 2)
- Recognised by *Managing Intellectual Property* as an IP Star in France in the Patent and Trademark categories.

Expertise

Services

- Intellectual Property & Technology

- Data Privacy, Cybersecurity & Digital Assets
- Government Investigations & White Collar

Industries

- Advertising, Media & Brands
- Life Sciences
- Sports & Entertainment

Publications & Speaking Engagements

- Speaker, "How to Make the Best Out of Your Employees Inventions: Applicable Rules and Best Practices for Global Companies," March 1, 2023.
- Co-author, "NFT et propriété intellectuelle : amis ou ennemis?" *La Revue Blog*, June 14, 2022.
- Co-author, "Du nouveau pour les pièces détachées auto," *La Revue Blog*, February 22, 2022.
- Co-author, "L'employeur peut céder à un tiers le droit au brevet sur une invention de mission: la Cour de cassation clarifie sa jurisprudence," *La Revue Blog*, February 9, 2022.
- Co-author, "Highest French Administrative Court Freezes Ban on CBD Flowers and Leaves," *Triage Health Law Blog*, February 3, 2022.
- Co-author, "Le Conseil d'Etat suspend l'interdiction de commercialisation des fleurs et feuilles de chanvre," *La Revue Blog*, January 26, 2022.
- Co-author, "La JUB (Juridiction Unifiée du Brevet) devrait être opérationnelle avant la fin de l'année," *La Revue Blog*, January 21, 2022.
- Co-author, "Influenceurs sous influence: plaidoyer pour une plus grande transparence," *La Revue Blog*, December 6, 2021.
- Co-author, "CBD, Halte à la provoc' !" *La Revue Blog*, December 1, 2021.
- Co-author, "Champanillo: Luxembourg tacle Barcelone et la France sabre le champagne. La CJUE se prononce sur la protection des AOP," *La Revue Blog*, September 30, 2021.
- Co-author, "Lettre ouverte à ceux qui n'aiment pas les audits de PI," *La Revue Blog*, September 15, 2021.
- Co-author, "L'horizon s'éclaircit pour la JUB (Juridiction unifiée du brevet) La Revue," *La Revue Blog*, July 13, 2021.
- Author, "Faut-il bouter les anglo-saxons hors de nos contrats ?" *La Revue Blog*, May 30, 2021.
- Co-author, "La Juridiction Unifiée du Brevet," *La Revue Blog*, May 3, 2021.
- Co-author, "Beauty and the Little Pig: French Judges Find Jeff Koons Guilty of
- Copyright Infringement Once Again," *Global IP & Technology Law Blog*, March 25, 2021.
- Co-author, "La belle et le petit cochon : affaire Jeff Koons, la cour d'appel de Paris alourdit les condamnations," *La Revue Blog*, March 17, 2021.
- Co-author, "UPC is Coming: Companies with Business Interests in Europe to Assess the Patent Portfolios," *O-I-CEE! Blog*, March 3, 2021.
- Co-author, "Délices de nos terroirs, langues régionales et droit des marques," *La Revue Blog*, February 10, 2021.
- Co-author, "La Chandeleur et la course au brevet sur l'ampoule électrique," *La Revue Blog*, January 29, 2021.

- Author, "Comment bien rédiger et négocier un accord de confidentialité," *La Revue Blog*, January 22, 2021.
- Author, "Quand les révolutionnaires voulaient interdire la galette des rois," *La Revue Blog*, January 6, 2021.
- Author, "Réveillon à la française et droits de propriété intellectuelle," *La Revue Blog*, January 6, 2021.
- Co-author, "A French New Year's Dinner and IP Rights," *Global IP & Technology Law Blog*, December 30, 2020.
- Co-author, "Tout ce que vous avez toujours voulu savoir sur... la propriété intellectuelle," *La Revue Blog*, October 27, 2020.

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