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Technology and Sector Specialisms

Manufacturing, Materials and Metallurgy, Cleantech

Professional Qualifications

European Patent Attorney
UK Chartered Patent Attorney

Membership of Professional Bodies

Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Patent Attorneys (CIPA), Member of the Institute of Professional Representatives before the European Patent Office (EPI)

Education

Imperial College London, Honours Degree in Materials Science and Engineering
University of Cambridge, PhD in Phase Transformations

The Legal 500 identifies Martin as a '*recommended individual*' who is "*efficient, courteously critical when needed and has an excellent technical grasp.*"

Martin's experience over the last 10 years has been concentrated in the electrical, software, manufacturing and engineering fields. However, given his background, he often handles technology which falls between engineering and chemistry, particularly materials related matters including packaging plastics, metals, ceramics, semiconductors, composites and materials processing. Martin also has IP experience of marine engineering.

Martin has a special interest in cleantech and has startup clients operating exclusively in this field (e.g. wave energy, PVs) as well as multinational clients for whom he acts in connection with cleantech innovations (e.g. in transport, water etc). Martin cycles to work every day and heads J A Kemp's involvement with the London Cleantech Cluster.

He advises clients on freedom to operate matters, as well as enforcement, drafting, filing and prosecuting patent applications at the European Patent Office (EPO) and elsewhere. He aims to give practical advice based on an understanding of the commercial goals of his clients. Martin is also highly experienced in litigation before the EPO. He usually attends several EPO hearings in contentious proceedings each year. Martin's experience at the EPO includes successfully defending a European patent against an opposition in which several witnesses were heard by the EPO in

support of an allegation of prior use. In the same hearing he achieved an order for costs in favour of his client.

Martin's client base ranges from large multinationals to small start-up companies developing their IP position. Major clients are concentrated in Japan, where he visits patent applicants and agents regularly, and in the UK and Continental Europe.

Martin's other responsibilities within the firm include the monitoring of changes in law and practice in the UK and training new members. As a dual British-German national, Martin speaks German fluently and works frequently from our Munich office.

Martin joined J A Kemp in 1998 and became a partner in 2008.