

Dallas' Skiermont Derby Named One of Nation's Top Patent Litigation Firms

IAM Patent 1000 recognizes boutique on list dominated by large national firms

DALLAS / LOS ANGELES – Skiermont Derby LLP has been named to the IAM Patent 1000 list, which ranks the Dallas-based boutique as one of the top 10 patent litigation firms in Texas. The 14-lawyer firm with offices in Dallas and Los Angeles is joined on the list by some of the nation's largest firms and most influential patent law practitioners.

To learn more about the firm, click here: <http://skiermontderby.com/what-we-do>

Skiermont Derby and founding partner Paul J. Skiermont practice “at the very highest level in the patent space” and “clearly are in a league of their own,” according to the prestigious publication. Mr. Skiermont is singled out as a “superlative patent litigator (who) shows great attention to detail, deep understanding of complicated technology and has a knack for distilling issues down to their essence.”

Almost 1,500 in-house counsel and patent attorneys at law firms were interviewed for the [IAM Patent 1000](#) rankings, which are based on depth of expertise, market presence, and the level of work typically handled.

“It's quite gratifying to review these rankings and comments and to see the experience and depth of the other firms on the list,” says Mr. Skiermont. “As we grow, we plan to continue being the go-to firm for the most important patent litigation, as well as for other complex commercial cases.”

Mr. Skiermont recently served as lead trial counsel for Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and Dynamic Advances LLC in a patent infringement lawsuit against technology giant Apple Inc. The lawsuit focused on RPI's patented natural language processing technology deployed in Apple's Siri personal assistant. Apple agreed to pay nearly \$25 million to settle the case on the eve of trial in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of New York.

Skiermont Derby LLP represents clients in complex IP and commercial litigation in Texas, California, and throughout the nation. The firm's experience includes matters involving patents, trademarks, unfair competition, antitrust, breach of contract, and business torts – as well as entertainment, employment, and securities litigation.

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