

## Roger D. Wylie

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#### Services

Adversarial Patent Prosecution<sup>SM</sup>  
Asset Creation - Prosecution &  
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Dispute Avoidance  
Patent Due Diligence  
Patent Litigation  
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#### Industries

Apparel, Accessories & Luxury  
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Electronics & Computer  
Technology  
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Fintech  
Food, Restaurant & Beverage  
Health & Life Sciences  
Home Furnishings  
Medical & Surgical Devices  
Retail & Consumer Goods  
Technology



Roger Wylie is the Managing Partner of the firm and the Managing Partner of the Seattle office. He was Co-Managing Partner of Townsend and Townsend and Crew prior to its merger with Kilpatrick Townsend. He focuses his practice on patent prosecution and counseling, and advises start-up and established corporations, venture investors and other intellectual property stakeholders with regard to all aspects of patent prosecution and acquisition, counseling, licensing and litigation. He also counsels clients on a wide range of trademark, copyright, trade secret and other IP-related issues.

As a registered patent attorney with over 20 years of experience, Mr. Wylie has counseled clients in a variety of technologies including software, business methods, consumer goods, complex machinery, and medical devices. Much of his work involves product clearances (right-to-use studies), Inter Partes disputes in the patent office, early phase litigation infringement and validity analyses for settlement evaluation, freedom to operate analyses for new product lines, and acquisition due diligence.

Mr. Wylie has obtained or assisted in the procurement and management of hundreds of U.S. and foreign patents, many of which are in the computer software, Internet business processes and communication technologies fields. He supports patent portfolio procurement and management, and patent assertion and licensing for several *Fortune* 500 companies. Patents he has procured span a variety of software technologies, including kernel operating system components, cloud computing, neural networks, database schemas, search engines, user interfaces, e-commerce, and financial and other business methods.

Mr. Wylie's medical and surgical device experience spans a broad array of technologies, including orthopedics, stents, arthroscopic treatments, suturing devices, ultrasound imaging and therapy, laser treatments, gynecological devices, robotic surgical equipment, orthodontics, prostheses, biopsy instruments, wheelchair positioning devices, and diagnostics.

A significant portion of Mr. Wylie's practice involves product clearances (right-to-use studies) for consumer goods, primarily in the sporting goods industries. Mr. Wylie has counseled clients manufacturing and selling snow and water skis and related equipment, household appliances, golf equipment, camping and sporting goods, small household electronics, clothing and other textiles, furniture, and various other consumer goods.

Many of the patents Mr. Wylie has drafted and prosecuted for clients have been successfully litigated and enforced. He has assisted numerous acquisitions and divestitures involving due diligence for intellectual property assets and information technologies, including significant patent portfolios that he has procured for his clients.

Mr. Wylie has been named by *Washington Super Lawyers* for Intellectual Property every year since 2008. He was recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America*® for Patent Law in 2019 and the six years immediately preceding. Mr. Wylie is listed in the 2017, 2018 and 2019 editions of *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business* in the area of Intellectual Property. He has been recognized as an "IP Star" in 2018 and 2019 by *Managing Intellectual Property* magazine. Mr. Wylie was named a top patent practitioner in 2019 and the five years immediately preceding by *IAM Patent 1000 – The World's Leading Patent Practitioners* .

## **Experience**

Manages a team of more than 10 attorneys providing patent prosecution and related services to an American international electronic commerce company and the world's largest online retailer.

Served as patent counsel to multiple medical device start-ups, procuring patent protection for the companies and guiding the companies through diligence and multi-million dollar acquisitions.

Lead patent counsel to develop patent portfolio for, and for diligence on sale of, ultrasound medical device

company for \$35 million.

Opinion counsel for a Finnish headquartered sporting goods company with brands including a leading American sports equipment manufacturer.

Obtained cancellation of all claims relevant to client using two separate ex parte reexaminations filed against a well-known non-practicing entity (NPE).

Provided patent procurement and counseling services to a major sports equipment company that specializes in golf equipment and accessories.

Lead patent counsel to a well-known American outdoor recreation company specializing in camping gear.

Successfully obtained a cancellation of all claims through Inter Partes reexamination of U.S. Patent number 7,410,272, owned by a leading American manufacturer of flashlights.

Managed a team of over 15 attorneys providing patent prosecution for an American multinational software corporation that develops, manufactures, licenses and supports computer software, consumer electronics and personal computers and services.

### **Education**

Vanderbilt University Law School, J.D. (1991)

Auburn University, Bachelors of Materials Engineering (1988) *with honors*

### **Admissions**

Washington (1997)

### **Court Admissions**

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia

### **Honors & Distinctions**

Harvard Law School Executive Education, Leadership in Law Firms, 2017

### **Professional & Community Activities**



American Bar Association, Intellectual Property Section

American Intellectual Property Law Association

King County Bar Association

Washington State Patent Lawyer's Association

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Kilpatrick Townsend Attorneys Named 2019 Washington Super Lawyers

July 16, 2019

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The Surge: Kilpatrick Townsend Hosts Inaugural Diversity and Inclusion Summit

July 12, 2019

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Kilpatrick Townsend Receives High Rankings in 2019 IAM Patent 1000

July 11, 2019

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Kilpatrick Townsend Attorneys Named 2019 Managing Intellectual Property IP Stars

June 17, 2019

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Kilpatrick Townsend Names Roger Wylie Managing Partner

May 7, 2019

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Kilpatrick Townsend Achieves Top-Tier Recognition from Chambers USA 2019

May 2, 2019

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First Phase of USPTO Access to Relevant Prior Art Initiative Reduces Applicants' IDS Burden in Continuing Applications

October 25, 2018



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To Patent or Not to Patent: That is the Session

September 12, 2018

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Record-Breaking Recognition for Kilpatrick Townsend in The Best Lawyers in America® 2019

August 20, 2018

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GDPR Gameplay: Privacy Issues for Video Game Developers

July 9, 2018

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Kilpatrick Townsend Recognized in 2018 IAM Patent 1000

July 2, 2018

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Kilpatrick Townsend Attorneys Named 2018 Washington Super Lawyers

June 21, 2018

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Kilpatrick Townsend Attorneys Named 2018 Managing Intellectual Property IP Stars

June 19, 2018

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Love of Gadgets Led to Career in Patent Law

May 19, 2018

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Kilpatrick Townsend Achieves Recognition From Chambers USA 2018

May 11, 2018

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Record-Breaking Recognition for Kilpatrick Townsend in The Best Lawyers in America® 2018

August 15, 2017



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Six Kilpatrick Townsend Attorneys Named 2017 Washington Super Lawyers

June 27, 2017

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How to Start a Startup

June 12, 2017

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Kilpatrick Townsend Receives High Rankings in 2017 IAM Patent 1000

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Kilpatrick Townsend Achieves Recognition From Chambers USA 2017

May 30, 2017

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What's Happening in...Seattle

May 15, 2017

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KT is...Trending, November 12-18, 2016

November 21, 2016

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The Intricacies Of Patent Infringement In Indian Gaming

November 16, 2016

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Kilpatrick Townsend Earns Record-Breaking Recognition in Annual Best Lawyers in America 2017

August 16, 2016

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Kilpatrick Townsend's Media Report August 5-11, 2016

August 12, 2016



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Kilpatrick Townsend Attorneys Named 2016 Washington Super Lawyers

June 23, 2016

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Kilpatrick Townsend Attorneys Named to 2016 IAM Patent 1000

June 2, 2016

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Moving Your Product from Idea to Market Success

May 12, 2016

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Kilpatrick Townsend's Media Report February 17-25, 2016

February 26, 2016

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Kilpatrick Townsend's Media Report August 28-September 3, 2015

September 4, 2015

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Kilpatrick Townsend Earns Record-Breaking Recognition in Annual Best Lawyers in America 2016

August 19, 2015

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Kilpatrick Townsend's Media Report June 19-25, 2015

June 26, 2015

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Twenty-Two Kilpatrick Townsend Attorneys Named to 2015 IAM Patent 1000

June 18, 2015

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Kilpatrick Townsend's Media Report April 17-23, 2015

April 24, 2015



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Kilpatrick Townsend's Media Report December 19, 2014 - January 8, 2015

January 9, 2015