

Nixon Peabody adds accomplished patent litigators Tim Maloney and Karl Fink to growing IP practice

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Chicago, IL. Further expanding its rapidly growing **Intellectual Property** practice, Nixon Peabody LLP welcomes veteran litigation attorneys **Tim Maloney**, who joins as partner, and senior counsel **Karl Fink**, to the firm's **Chicago** office.

Tim and Karl are both experienced trial lawyers with a winning track record litigating all aspects of intellectual property enforcement and defense with a particular emphasis on patent litigation. Their arrival comes as the firm's Intellectual Property practice has continued to expand in targeted markets in response to evolving client needs. Last month, former Western District of Texas law clerk **Nicole Sims** joined the firm's Washington, DC office as an associate in the Intellectual Property practice. Nixon Peabody also recently welcomed counsel **Michael W. Gray**, who focuses his practice on helping high-tech clients navigate litigation and protect their intellectual property and trade secrets, and associate **Taylor E. Pfeifer** to its Los Angeles office.

"Tim and Karl have earned a formidable reputation for understanding clients' business needs to implement effective IP strategies, both in terms of litigation and monetization," said **Seth Levy**, leader of Nixon Peabody's Intellectual Property practice. "As we continue to strategically expand our team, their backgrounds and wealth of experience securing favorable outcomes for clients in state and federal courts and before the US Patent & Trademark Office will be a valuable benefit to our clients and colleagues."

With more than 30 years of experience in IP and technology-related commercial litigation, Tim has led many successful complex cases, including numerous jury trials and Federal Circuit appeals. He is among the most active attorneys representing patent owners against validity challenges lodged in the US Patent & Trademark Office's Patent Trial and Appeal Board. He also advises clients on trade secret, antitrust, trademark, unfair competition, and technology licensing matters, in addition to assisting in structuring and implementing effective IP strategies in IP-intensive M&A agreements and business transactions. Tim has a strong interest and deep experience in IP monetization strategies and has helped numerous companies strategically build and protect comprehensive IP portfolios.

In addition to his patent enforcement work, Karl's practice includes all aspects of commercial and intellectual property litigation, as well as advising clients on IP valuations, joint ventures, other related business decisions, and patent creation, management, validity, and licensing matters. As co-founder of a fitness and physical therapy equipment startup, he has a unique perspective on the IP and business needs of emerging and growing companies. He has extensive experience enforcing patents for clients with significant market share in their respective industries and has successfully represented clients in state and federal courts across the country, both at trial and on appeal, as well as in the International Trade Commission.

"We're excited to welcome Tim and Karl," said **David R. Brown**, managing partner of Nixon Peabody's Chicago office. "They bring a wealth of experience that is a strong complement to our deep bench of IP attorneys in Chicago. Their backgrounds also dovetail nicely with our full-service law office, offering opportunities to collaborate with attorneys across practices and industries."

Tim earned his JD from the University of Illinois College of Law and his BS from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.

Karl earned his JD from the University of Michigan Law School and his BS, magna cum laude, from the University of Michigan. Among his pro bono work, Karl has handled numerous civil rights matters on behalf of incarcerated individuals through the Trial Bar Pro Bono Program of the US District Court for the Northern District of Illinois.