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Labutta focuses her practice in the area of intellectual property, including counseling emerging and established companies regarding trademark, copyright and domain name matters, negotiating and drafting licenses, and representing clients in federal court litigation and administrative proceedings.

Ms. Labutta received her B.A. from Saint Mary's College and her J.D. from the University of New

Hampshire School of Law. In 2011, she was first named a Pennsylvania "Rising Star" by Thomson Reuters and has been named every year since 2013.

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Practice Areas

- Trademarks
- Copyrights
- Licensing
- IP Protection
- IP Litigation
- Trade Secrets

Education

- Saint Mary's College, BA
- University of New Hampshire School of Law (formerly Franklin Pierce Law Center), Juris Doctor

Bar Admissions

- Pennsylvania, 2012
- Florida, 2003
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit

Memberships

- American Bar Association
- International Trademark Association, Member of the Design Rights Subcommittee
- Former Adjunct Professor of Trademark Law, Barry University Dwayne O. Andreas School of Law

Representative Matters

- Represents individuals and businesses in federal court litigation and arbitrations involving copyright, domain name, trademark, and unfair competition matters, and in administrative proceedings before the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board;
- Manages all phases of copyright and trademark clearance, registration, maintenance, and enforcement matters;
- Represents clients in structuring, negotiating, and drafting licenses, releases, assignments, settlement agreements, and co-existence agreements.

Articles & Presentations

IP Attorney Bridget H. Labutta to Participate in Villanova Law School Panel Discussion

// September 11, 2017

Intellectual property attorney, Bridget H. Labutta, will participate in a panel discussion at Villanova University's Charles Widger School of Law as a part of the school's professional development program. [Read more](#)

John D. Simmons and Bridget H. Labutta Attend Global IP Conference // June 27, 2017

Intellectual property attorneys John D. Simmons and Bridget H. Labutta attended the May conference of the International Trademark Association in Barcelona, Spain. During the conference, more than 10,200 brand management, trademark, and other IP professionals met for five days of intense learning, business strategy meetings, and networking. [Read more](#)

6 Panitch Schwarze Attorneys Named Among 2017 PA Super Lawyers and Rising Stars // May 12, 2017

The Philadelphia intellectual property law firm Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel LLP is pleased to announce that six of its IP attorneys have been named 2017 Pennsylvania Super Lawyers and Rising Stars. [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze to Host INTA Roundtable on Trademarks // October 7, 2016

Intellectual property law firm Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel will host an International Trademark Association roundtable focusing on tips for managing trademark projects. [Read more](#)

IP Attorney Bridget H. Labutta to Participate in Villanova Law School Roundtable //

September 5, 2016

Intellectual property Attorney Bridget H. Labutta to Participate in Villanova Law School Roundtable [Read more](#)

Intellectual Property Law Firm to Host International Trademark Association Roundtable // June 2, 2016

Intellectual property attorneys to host roundtable discussion on behalf of the International Trademark Association. [Read more](#)

Thomson Reuters Names 9 Panitch Schwarze Attorneys Among 2016 PA Super Lawyers and Rising Stars // May 13, 2016

Philadelphia and Wilmington IP lawyers listed among Pennsylvania's and Delaware's elite attorneys. [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Associate Discusses Generational Intelligence in the Law Firm //

September 14, 2015

Panitch Schwarze associate Bridget Labutta shares eight of the most common mistakes young lawyers make – and how to avoid them. [Read more](#)

9 Panitch Schwarze Attorneys Named Pennsylvania 'Super Lawyers' and 'Rising Stars' for 2015 // May 15, 2015

Panitch Schwarze Belisario and Nadel LLP is pleased to announce that Ronald L. Panitch, William W. Schwarze, Martin G. Belisario, and Alan S. Nadel have been named to the Pennsylvania Super Lawyers list as five of the top attorneys in Pennsylvania for 2015. [Read more](#)

Panitch Schwarze Welcomes New IP Associate Bridget Labutta // February 20, 2015

Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel LLP is pleased to announce the arrival of the firm's newest associate attorney, Bridget H. Labutta. [Read more](#)

Honors & Awards

Named a Pennsylvania "Rising Star," 2011, 2013 to present, by Thomson Reuters, publishers of *Pennsylvania Super Lawyers*

- Named a Florida "Rising Star," by Thomson Reuters, publishers of Florida Super Lawyers

Blog

August 25, 2017

Don't Fall For It! Trademark Scams and Misleading Notices

Once you submit your application to register a trademark with the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office (USPTO), the application becomes part of a public record. That means your name and contact information can be accessed by anyone searching the records of the USPTO.

[Read more](#)

June 22, 2017

SCOTUS Rules Trademark Disparagement Clause Unconstitutional

The U.S. Supreme Court recently ruled that the U.S. Trademark Office's refusal to register "The Slants" as a trademark for an Oregon-based rock band was unconstitutional. This is a case the trademark attorneys at Panitch Schwarze have been watching closely, as this landmark decision could reshape U.S. trademark law significantly. [Read more](#)

November 12, 2015

Prince vs. the 'Dancing Baby': the Evolution of 'Fair Use'

Your IP attorneys have discovered a video on YouTube of a baby dancing while your - copyrighted - music plays in the background. The legal team quickly dispatches a takedown notice, claiming infringement. [Read more](#)

October 22, 2015

When Others Can Use Your Copyrighted Material For Free: Understanding 'Fair Use'

Most artists, including photographers, writers, musicians, and more, make a living by selling the artistic works they create. Copyright protection gives these artists the exclusive, legally enforceable right to the use of that material. [Read more](#)

August 26, 2015

U.S. Trademark Law and Google and BMW's Shared 'Alphabet'

Once you've trademarked the name of your business, no other entity can use that name in commerce. Everybody knows that. Right? [Read more](#)

August 6, 2015

Protecting Your Intellectual Property on the Web

Senator Ted Cruz of Texas made headlines earlier this year for a reason completely unrelated to his politics. Shortly after Cruz announced his candidacy for the next presidential election, the news media discovered that the presumptive Internet address for the new candidate's campaign had been "hijacked" and now displayed a message that was contrary to Cruz's own political stances. [Read more](#)

July 2, 2015

What Makes a Trademark Disparaging?

U.S. trademark law extends benefits and protections to the owners of registered

trademarks, but not every name or brand identity is eligible for registration, as evidenced by controversies involving organizations such as the Washington Redskins. [Read more](#)