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Dr. Volkmar Henke is patent litigator and particularly active in the areas of mobile communication, semiconductor technology, circuit design, data compression, particularly video and audio coding, and electrical engineering. He advises large multinationals and SMEs, including patent pools and owners of standard-essential patents, primarily in complex disputes. He also coordinates comprehensive international proceedings which are conducted in parallel in multiple jurisdictions.

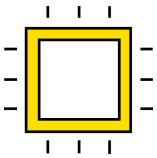
Volkmar represents clients in patent infringement proceedings as well as in invalidity, opposition, and revocation proceedings before the various infringement courts, the German Federal Patent Court, the German Federal Court of Justice and the Unified Patent Court. Due to his comprehensive experience in conducting and coordinating cross-border patent litigation, he is a much sought-after partner for clients acting on the international stage, particularly in FRAND and SEP cases.

Volkmar is one of the rare German trial lawyers who has both a full technical (master's in physics) and legal qualification.

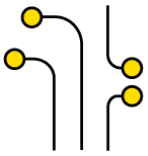
Domaines Juridiques

- Rei vindicatio
- Licensing & Technology Transfer
- Patent Litigation
- Employee Inventions
- Oppositions and Nullity
- **Unitary Patent**
- **Unified Patent Court**

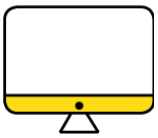
Secteurs industriels



Semiconductor Technology

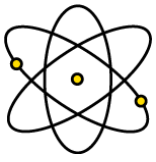


Electrical Engineering



Software, IT & Computer Technology

Telecommunications



Physics

Recommandation

in-depth expertise in litigation, great on litigation strategies, keeps business interests of the client in mind, cost effective

JUVE Patent, 2024

Henke is an accomplished trial lawyer with astute technical acumen and experience coordinating multi-jurisdictional disputes. His master's degree in physics means he can dig down into the details of a case and provide well-rounded advice as well as decisive representation.

IAM Patent 1000, 2024

Henke is a deeply experienced litigator and adviser on associated licensing agreements. Particularly strong in the areas of telecommunication and other technology.

IAM Patent 1000, 2023

Memberships

Dr. Volkmar Henke is a member of the International Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property (AIPPI), the German Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property (GRUR), and the Hanseatic Bar Association Hamburg.

Publications

Excerpt:

UPC Digest in GRUR Patent 2024/2025, Martin Drews and Volkmar Henke:

- Issue no. 1: "The UPC's time period regime and its established legal practice so far"
- Issue no. 2: "The UPC service regime"
- Issue no. 3: "Applications for orders to produce evidence and information"

"Die Erfindungsgemeinschaft als besondere Bruchteilsgemeinschaft" (in: Festschrift für Thomas Kühnen, 978-3-452-30382-0, Carl Heymanns Verlag, 2024)

Art. 64, Vor Art. 142 (Einheitspatent und Einheitliches Patentgericht), Vor Art. 164-178 in: "Benkard: Europäisches Patentübereinkommen" (Commentary on the European Patent Convention), edited by Jochen Ehlers und Ursula Kinkeldey, 4th edition, 2023;

"Is SEP licensing up to standard?", IAM Magazine Roundtable, Issue 90, 2018;

Commentary on judgment by German Federal Court of Justice BGH X ZR 43/13 – "Rotorelemente (rotor elements)" und BGH X ZR 101/13 –„Polymerschaum II (polymer foam II)", Journal of German Patent Attorneys (Mitteilungen der deutschen Patentanwälte), edition 8-9/2015, p. 376;

"Die Erfindungsgemeinschaft" (joint proprietors), Heymanns, Köln et. al. 2005

Lectures & Seminars

Excerpt:

Exploitation rights of co-inventors, Webinar lecture at VPP Association of Intellectual Property Experts), 2021;

Joint Excercise of Intellectual Property Rights, St. Petersburg International Legal Forum, 2019;

Der FRAND-Einwand: Aktuelle Entwicklungen in Deutschland und im Ausland (The FRAND defense: Current developments in Germany and abroad), Presentation at the expert forum Patent- und Prozessrecht (Patent and procedural law), 2012;

Inventorship for multinational inventions involving IP-issues resulting from outsourcing - the European perspective, Invited panel contribution at the AIPPI Forum and Exco 2011 (Workshop 5)

Curriculum vitae

2023 - aujourd'hui	Attorney-at-law and equity partner at BARDEHLE PAGENBERG, founding partner at the Hamburg office
2005 - 2022	Attorney-at-law at Eisenführ Speiser (partner as of 2013)
2005	Admission to the bar and Ph.D. from the University of Freiburg (summa cum laude)
1998 - 2005	Studies of Law in Hamburg with a focus on civil procedural law, intellectual property law, and patent law
1994 - 1999	Assistant Professor at University of Hamburg (Physics)
1987 - 1994	Studies of Physics and Philosophy in Hamburg and Paris (Université de Paris XI) with a focus on high energy physics and cosmic radiation, master's degree (Dipl. Phys.) in 1994