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**Future Trademark Protection in the European Union** Alexander Nette 1995

[European Trademark Law](#)

Tobias Cohen Jehoram 2010-01-01 European Trademark Law describes all relevant developments in both legislation and case law, in particular of the Court of Justice, offering not only a

succinct introduction to the theory, structure and nature of trademark law, but also insightful suggestions for resolving and answering a host of practical problems. As the authors note, their book provides an 'overview of trademark law rather than an overview of trademark legislation.' The authors view the law from different

perspectives; they take both the European perspective and the perspective from harmonised national trademark law, in particular as it is in the Benelux countries. Paying particular attention to the implications of the considerable stream of case law that has followed from partially new doctrines set in place by the harmonization process, the book greatly clarifies the workings and interrelations of such factors as the following: situations that did not constitute infringement under former trademark law but do constitute infringement today and vice versa; different types of marks and their particularities; registration and opposition procedures; relevant international treaties; requirements

for the mark; grounds for refusal and invalidity; scope of and limitations to trademark protection; use of trademarks in comparative advertising; referential use of trademarks; use of trademarks on the internet; exhaustion of rights, parallel trade; concepts of well known trademarks and trademarks with a reputation; procedural aspects of enforcing trademark rights; how trademark rights are lost. The analysis also covers specific aspects of the trademark right that are related to other legal areas, such as property law, trade name law, the law regarding geographical indications of origin, copyright law, competition law, and product liability. An especially valuable part of the book's presentation follows the

'life' of a trademark from filing the application up to and including its cancellation, revocation or invalidity.

### **THE TRADEMARK LAW**

**DICTIONARY** Rachel Gader-Shafran, MA, JD, LLM 2013-09-06 "The Trademark Law Dictionary will be helpful for anyone who researches trademark law. With it, one can easily locate terms and quickly understand concepts—all in one volume. I am impressed with the enormous scope of this reference. The inclusion of international treaty terms is in itself a substantial contribution to the field." Christine Haight Farley Professor of Law American University Washington College of Law **THE TRADEMARK LAW DICTIONARY** Part of The Law Dictionary Series TM The One-Stop Source for Legal Terminology JDs,

LLMs & SJDs Attorneys & Paralegals FIND IT Easy to Locate Terms & Cross-Referenced KNOW IT Clear & Easy to Understand USE IT Communicate Effectively & Efficiently Apply Intricate Terminology & Underlying Legal Concepts JDs, LLMs & SJDs need to be able to communicate effectively and efficiently. This Dictionary will afford Law Students and Law Professors with the resource they need to bring clarity to the burgeoning field of IP Law. Practitioners & Paralegals of Intellectual Property law must understand, cross-reference and apply intricate terminology. The IP Dictionary gives the Practitioner & Paralegal the ability to easily locate terms and underlying concepts and apply them to their work product.

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## **Overlapping Intellectual Property Rights** Neil

Wilkof 2012-08-30

Providing a comprehensive and systematic commentary on the nature of overlapping Intellectual Property rights and their place in practice, this book is a major contribution to the way that IP is understood. IP rights are mostly studied in isolation, yet in practice each of the legal categories created to protect IP rights will usually only provide partial legal coverage of the broader context in which such rights are actually created, used, and enforced. Consequently, often multiple IP rights may overlap, in whole or in part, with respect to the same underlying subject matter. Some patterns, for instance, in addition to being

protected from copying under the design rights regime, may also be distinctive enough to warrant trade mark protection. Each chapter addresses a discrete pair of IP rights and is written by a specialist in that area.

Facilitating an understanding of how and when those rights may be encountered in practice, each chapter is introduced by a hypothetical situation setting out the overlap discussed in the chapter. The conceptual and practical issues arising from this situation are then discussed, providing practitioners with a full understanding of the overlap. Also included is a valuable summary table setting out the legal position for each set of overlapping rights in jurisdictions across Europe, Central and

South America, and Asia, and the differences between them.

**Records of the Diplomatic Conference for the Conclusion of the Trademark Law Treaty**

World Intellectual Property Organization  
1994 Contains documents relating to the Conference issued before, during and after the Conference.

**Sourcebook on Intellectual Property Law**

Peter Groves  
1997-05-01 This self-contained guide provides students of intellectual property law with a comprehensive summary of UK patent, trademark, copyright and design law, as well as the laws of confidentiality and passing-off. Topography rights, rights in performance and plant breeding rights are also covered.

*Transnational Intellectual Property Law*  
Robert P. Merges

2018-04-27 As companies and organisations increasingly operate across national boundaries, so the incentive to understand how to acquire, deploy and protect IP rights in multiple national jurisdictions has rapidly increased. *Transnational Intellectual Property Law* meets the need for a book that introduces contemporary intellectual property as it is practiced in today's global context. Focusing on three major IP regimes – the United States, Europe and China – the unique transnational approach of this textbook will help law students and lawyers across the world understand not only how IP operates in different national contexts, but also how to coordinate IP protection across numerous national jurisdictions.

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International IP treaties are also covered, but in the context of an overall emphasis on transnational coordination of legal rights and strategies. *Certification and Collective Marks* Jeffrey Belson 2017 *Certification and Collective Marks* is a thoroughly updated and augmented edition of *Certification Marks*, first published in 2002. This comprehensive study forms a wide-ranging inquiry, with comparisons of the certification and collective mark systems of the UK, EU and US, whilst also referring to other systems. In addition to the laws and policies impacting ownership and use of these marks, also addressed are their historical development, registration and protection, certifiers'

liability, legal and commercial significance, use in regulatory and technical standardization frameworks, and emergent sui generis forms of certification, namely ecolabels and electronic authentication marks in digital content. This publication is especially timely in light of the advent of the EU certification mark and the controversial EU proposals to extend the Geographical Indications system to include non-agri-food products.

**A Practical Guide to Trade Mark Law** Amanda Michaels 2002 The fourth edition of this legal guide for advisers of housing associations and housing association tenants provides comprehensive coverage of this area of law. It incorporates wide-ranging changes in law and policy, including

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the shift towards a more holistic approach

## **Community Trademark**

### **Regulation** Gordian

Hasselblatt 2016-06-16

Powerful trade marks encapsulate the essential values of a brand. In today's highly competitive markets, trade marks serve as communicators between the businesses on the one hand and the courted clientele on the other. With its unitary nature and equal effect throughout the entire EU, the CTM provides access to more than 500 million consumers. It is therefore no wonder that business and trade have long since recognized the value of the CTM, last but not least because of this geographical reach. Since its inception in 1996, more than one million CTMs have been registered, 30 % of which stemming from applicants outside the

EU. It is thus fair to say: The CTMR has proved to be a success story.

### Non-conventional Trade Marks and Community Law

Stefano Sandri 2003

### The Relationship Between National and Community Trademark Law Tobias

Cohen Jehoram 2011

### Well-Known Trade Marks

Hiroko Onishi 2015-06-26

This book considers the effectiveness of well-known trade mark protection at an international level. It particularly considers EU trade mark law from Japanese perspectives, and provides a practical and critical overview of trade mark law in Japan, including the historical development of the law and the recent development on cases and policy. The book includes detailed coverage of the Japanese Unfair Competition Prevention Act, and contains the first systematic analysis of

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Japanese jurisprudence and legislative amendments of law in relation to well-known trade marks and unfair competition. The book goes on to comparatively analyse Japanese trade mark law alongside that of the European Community Trade Mark system. The book critically considers the difficulties in comprehensively defining a 'well-known trade mark' in the relevant international trade mark instruments. In breaking down the traditional definition of the 'well-known trade mark', the book works to address existing theoretical ambiguities in the application of trade mark law.

**Intellectual Property Law in Hungary** Levente Tattay 2017-02-24  
Derived from the renowned multi-volume International Encyclopaedia of Laws,

this monograph provides a survey and analysis of the rules concerning intellectual property rights in Hungary. It covers every type of intellectual property right in depth – copyright and neighbouring rights, patents, utility models, trademarks, trade names, industrial designs, plant variety protection, chip protection, trade secrets, and confidential information. Particular attention is paid throughout to recent developments and trends. The analysis approaches each right in terms of its sources in law and in legislation, and proceeds to such legal issues as subject matter of protection, conditions of protection, ownership, transfer of rights, licences, scope of exclusive rights,

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limitations, exemptions, duration of protection, infringement, available remedies, and overlapping with other intellectual property rights. The book provides a clear overview of intellectual property legislation and policy, and at the same time offers practical guidance on which sound preliminary decisions may be based. Lawyers representing parties with interests in Hungary will welcome this very useful guide, and academics and researchers will appreciate its value in the study of comparative intellectual property law.

Liechtenstein Trademark Law Markus Wanger 2011  
Sponsored Links and Trademark Infringement

Daniel Kalisch  
2011-08-24 Master's Thesis from the year 2011 in the subject Law - Civil / Private /

Trade / Anti Trust Law / Business Law, grade: 16/20 , Leuven Catholic University (Faculty of Law), course: LL.M. Program, European IP Law & Business Law, language: English, abstract: ISP's legal liability under trademark law with regards to Keyword Advertising is not well developed in literature and jurisdiction. Despite some few judgments in this field, it is obvious that also in other areas of law national courts do mainly focus on ISP's secondary liability without any clear distinction from primary liability. There seems to be also some hesitation to base a primary liability on a failure to act. For that reasons this paper analyses primary liability of an internet reference provider like Google (TM) for Keyword

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Advertising under Art. 5 EU Trademark Directive taking into account not only positive activities but also a failure to act. Apart from storing Keywords and displaying ads also other contributions of Google like its Keyword Tool and approval process for ads or the ISP's knowledge of infringements are contemplated. Starting point of the investigation is the recent decision of the ECJ to Google Adwords (TM) from 23.3.2010 where the court held that the provider can not be liable for a trademark infringement as the ISP did not use a sign itself in own commercial communication. The author goes beyond this judgment and suggests to apply this new criterion of attribution to all forms of trademark uses within the entire Art. 5 EU Trademark Directive

including an omission of the provider. By establishing a link between Ecommerce Directive and Trademark Directive the writer defines the scope of trademark protection and examines some minimum requirements to identify a trademark infringement of the ISP. This is absolutely a new method as no literature exists. As a first main result it was found that Google is not directly engaged in a trademark infringement by its positive actions. By contrast, the research made clear that actual knowledge of ongoing infringements is the core element to establish a primary liability for a failure to stop or prevent trademark infringements and makes the ISP use a trademark itself in its own communication. This paper shall contribute to define a clear

distinction between direct and indirect infringements and it also wants to sensitize the reader for the legal importance and consequences of actual knowledge of the ISP. *A View from Outside* Ian Jay Kaufman 1995 Genuine Use of Trademarks Eléonore Gaspar 2018-09-11 This book addresses the issue of trademark use that may be required for protection and maintenance of trademark rights. While there is considerable harmonization on trademark rights, courts and laws around the world do not always assess in the same way whether a trademark is used and do not always attach the same consequence to lack of use of a trademark. This is a fundamental issue for trademark owners since, depending on the jurisdiction, lack of

use can lead to the revocation of trademark rights or to a refusal of trademark registration. This detailed analysis provides clarity, insight and guidance on the legal issues and practical implications of genuine use of trademarks in twenty-six jurisdictions worldwide. This book was developed within the framework of the International Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property (AIPPI), a non-affiliated, non-profit organization dedicated to improving and promoting the protection of intellectual property at both national and international levels. This topic was the subject of an AIPPI study, and subsequent Resolution – "The Requirements of genuine use of trademarks for maintaining protection"

(2011, Hyderabad) which aims to harmonize this issue of genuine use of trademarks. The authors of the chapters for each jurisdiction were carefully selected based on their extensive experience and in-depth knowledge of trademark protection in their respective jurisdictions. Each chapter considers issues and topics such as the following:

- types of use that qualify as genuine use of a trademark, including requirements as to whether uses are consistent with the function of the trademark or made in the course of trade;
- requirements as to the volume, duration and frequency of use;
- impact of the trademark's designation of goods and services;
- issues relating to the sign used, particularly if it is used in a

different form from the registered trademark (this includes consideration of alteration of the distinctive character, or the potential impact of a plurality of registered trademarks for different signs, or the question of use in black and white or in colour);

- proof to be provided to evidence genuine use as a trademark, including issues of timing and territory;
- situations in which the issue of genuine use can be of importance;
- valid reasons for non-use; and
- consequences of lack of use depending on the context, including possible revocation of trademark rights.

Each chapter includes case law examples. As a comparative law study and a collection of contributions from around the world on a key issue of trademark

law, this book is of tremendous practical interest. Trademark owners, parties involved in or contemplating enforcement proceedings, and interested legal practitioners will benefit greatly from its thorough comparative analysis and guidance. It is also exceptionally valuable as a comprehensive resource for academics and researchers interested in the international harmonization of trademark law.

*The Average Consumer in Confusion-based Disputes in European Trademark Law and Similar Fictions*

Rasmus Dalgaard Laustsen  
2019-11-06

This book contends that, with regard to the likelihood of confusion standard, European trademark law applies the average consumer incoherently and inconsistently. To test this proposal, it presents an analysis of

the horizontal and vertical level of harmonization of the average consumer. The horizontal part focuses on similar fictions in areas of law adjacent to European trademark law (and in economics), and the average consumer in unfair competition law.

The vertical part focuses on European trademark law, represented mainly by EU trademark law, and the trademark laws of the UK, Sweden, Denmark and Norway. The book provides readers with a better understanding of key aspects of European trademark law (the average consumer applied as part of the likelihood of confusion standard) and combines relevant law and practices with theoretical content and other related areas of law (and economics). Accordingly, it is an asset for policymakers

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and practitioners, as well as general readers with an interest in intellectual property law and theory.

### **Intellectual Property Law in the Czech Republic**

Aleš Rozehnal  
2019-05-15 Derived from the renowned multi-volume International Encyclopaedia of Laws, this monograph provides a survey and analysis of the rules concerning intellectual property rights in the Czech Republic. It covers every type of intellectual property right in depth – copyright and neighbouring rights, patents, utility models, trademarks, trade names, industrial designs, plant variety protection, chip protection, trade secrets, and confidential information. Particular attention is paid throughout to recent

developments and trends. The analysis approaches each right in terms of its sources in law and in legislation, and proceeds to such legal issues as subject matter of protection, conditions of protection, ownership, transfer of rights, licences, scope of exclusive rights, limitations, exemptions, duration of protection, infringement, available remedies, and overlapping with other intellectual property rights. The book provides a clear overview of intellectual property legislation and policy, and at the same time offers practical guidance on which sound preliminary decisions may be based. Lawyers representing parties with interests in the Czech Republic will welcome this very useful guide, and academics and researchers will

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appreciate its value in the study of comparative intellectual property law.

### **Constructing European Intellectual Property**

Christophe Geiger 2013

'It is no longer possible to practice, teach, or study purely domestic intellectual property law within Europe. European intellectual property norms now structure protection throughout the continent (and even beyond). Paradoxically, what might seem as a simplification of legal rules has created a maze of new complexities substantive, institutional and methodological. This collection by some of the leading scholars in European IP manages to capture that complexity without sacrificing clarity. Canvassing the entire field with a rich array of contributions, the book both highlights

the roots of European IP law and asks important fundamental questions about where it is going. One can only hope that it is read by anyone with a hand in the future development of European IP law.' Graeme B. Dinwoodie, University of Oxford, UK

'Christophe Geiger has put together a very fine collection of essays by many of the very best scholars in European intellectual property law. The essays explore the basis, extent, as well as the successes and failings of regional harmonization of trade marks, geographical indications, copyright, designs, patents and remedies. The celebrated cast of authors naturally discuss, in addition to the various directives and regulations on each topic, the Treaty provisions on exhaustion of rights and

competition (and their interpretation), relevant provisions on legislative competence, Article 17(2) of the Charter, other fundamental rights, and the growing case law of the Court of Justice. There is essential material here for anyone interested in European intellectual property law, as well as ideas for the improvement and further development of European IP law.' Lionel Bently, University of Cambridge, UK

Constructing European Intellectual Property offers a comprehensive assessment of the current state of intellectual property legislation in Europe and gives direction on how an improved system might be achieved. This detailed study presents various perspectives on what further actions are necessary to provide the circumstances and tools

for the construction of a truly balanced European intellectual property system. The book takes as its starting point that the ultimate aim of such a system should be to ensure sustainable and innovation-based economic growth while enhancing free circulation of ideas and cultural expressions. Being the first in the European Intellectual Property Institutes Network (EIPIN) series, this book lays down some concrete foundations for a deeper understanding of European intellectual property law and its complex interplay with other fields of jurisprudence as well as its impact on a broad array of spheres of social interaction. In so doing, it provides a well needed platform for further research. Academics, policymakers, lawyers and many others

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concerned with establishment of a regulatory framework for intangibles in the EU will benefit from the extensive and thoughtful discussion presented in this work.

Trade Mark Dilution in Europe and the United States Ilanah Simon

Fhima 2011-11-03 The only comparison of EU and US protection against trade mark dilution, this book provides a complete overview of the dilution action, enabling practitioners to better protect trade marks against dilution or to combat dilution claims. Through clear and practical tests for the different types of dilution, this book demonstrates how to prove that a mark is famous, how to prove blurring, tarnishment and unfair advantage and how to prove lack of due cause. It gives clear

guidance on the meaning of association and the role of similarity of goods, as well as the US dilution defences, the level of proof required and the 'actual versus likely' dilution question. By examining the justifications offered for dilution, the book places the dilution action in the wider context of the trade mark system, allowing readers to understand the issues behind the law and to consider whether the law appropriately meets these justifications. It considers the fundamental questions raised about trade marks, including whether the main aim of trade marks is to protect the public from being confused, or the investment of trade mark owners in building up their reputations. The book also considers how well the EU and the US

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take these questions into account in balancing the interests of trade mark owners, their competitors and the public through the dilution action. Dilution is at the cutting edge of trade mark law, extending its protection beyond traditional boundaries to situations where defendants using trade marks are not causing confusion. This book provides practitioners with all the information they need both to protect trade marks against dilution and to prevent them being the subject of dilution claims.

**Concise European Trade Mark Law** Verena von Bomhard 2018-09-25 The sweeping changes brought about in 2017 to practice and procedures in European Union trade mark law have precipitated a new edition of this much

relied-upon guide to the field. This is the first book to provide comprehensive guidance to the new EU Trade Mark Regulation, including full details on all aspects of substance and procedure, as well as to the new Trade Mark Directive. This new and significantly expanded edition, which builds on the two previous editions of the Concise European Trade Mark and Design Law, includes the full texts of the new Implementing and Delegated Acts – available in no other book – as well as a collection of other texts that are needed in daily practice, such as excerpts from the Rules of Procedure of the General Court, the Paris Convention, the Madrid Protocol and the Nice Agreement, the Nice Classification, the TRIPS Agreement and the Directive on Enforcement

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of IP Rights. Providing a complete commentary and a full set of the legal provisions that must be dealt with on a daily basis, obviating recourse to other sources, this new edition will be welcomed by anyone with an interest in the law and practice of trade marks in the European Union. International Trademark Protection Graeme Dinwoodie 2018-04-09 It is an unquestioned assumption of trade mark law that trade marks are territorial. But is territoriality relevant in a global marketplace? If trade marks are not dependent upon territoriality what are the alternative models for their protection? Professor Dinwoodie considers these important issues in this thought-provoking scholarly treatment of the concept and relevance of

territoriality in modern trade mark law. Professor Dinwoodie provides numerous key insights in this books. First, he highlights three alternative models that might facilitate the move to international protection: (a) protection through international institutions, (b) protection through evolution of national doctrine, and (c) protection through regional unitary rights. Second, by focusing on the surprising evolutions in national regimes, the resistance of European Union trade mark law to embrace fully the logic of the Community Trade Mark, and the weaknesses of the explicitly international system, Professor Dinwoodie identifies the key variables that will determine the ability of

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trade mark law to reflect a new post-national era. Third, by comparing and critiquing the different models, Professor Dinwoodie lays bare the policy choices and political dilemmas that underlie what is thought to be a relatively technical area of law, and advances a prescription for reconciling global markets with local values, cultures and institutions. Finally, Professor Dinwoodie draws these insights together to illuminate a number of characteristics of trade mark law: its role in industrial and economic policy developments; the extent of its subservience to political rather than commercial forces; the relationship between protecting goodwill and registration systems; the complexity of the values pursued by

trademark protection; and, perhaps most fundamentally, why territoriality operates differently in trade mark law than in other intellectual property regimes.

### **The Law and Practice of Trademark Transactions**

Irene Calboli 2016-02-26

The Law and Practice of Trademark Transactions is a comprehensive analysis of the law governing trademark transactions in a variety of legal and business contexts, and from a range of jurisdictional and cross-border perspectives. After mapping out the international legal framework applicable to trademark transactions, the book provides an analysis of important strategic considerations, including: tax strategies; valuation; portfolio splitting;

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registration of security interests; choice-of-law clauses; trademark coexistence agreements, and dispute resolution mechanisms. Key features include:

- A comprehensive overview of legal and policy-related issues
- A blend of approaches underpinning strategic considerations with analytical rigour
- Regional coverage of the key characteristics of trademark transactions in a range of jurisdictions

Authorship from renowned trademark experts Practitioners advising trademark owners, including trademark attorneys, will find this book to be an invaluable resource for their practice, particularly where cross-border issues arise. It will also be a key reference point for scholars working in the field.

## **Intellectual Property Overlaps**

Estelle Derclaye 2011-05-11

Intellectual property rights, conventionally seen as quite distinct, are increasingly overlapping with one another. There are several reasons for this: the expansion of IPRs beyond their traditional borders, the creation of new IPRs especially at EU level, the exploitation of gaps in the law by shrewd lawyers, and the use of unfair competition as an alternative when IPRs are either not available at all or expired. The convergence of several IPRs on the same subject-matter poses problems. As they are normally envisaged as water-tight categories, there are very few rules which cater for the sort of regime clash that any overlap of IPRs necessarily entails.

This book's aim is to

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find appropriate rules to regulate overlaps and thereby avoid regime conflicts and undue unstructured expansion of IPRs. The book studies the practical consequences of each overlap at the international, European and national levels (where the laws of France, the UK and Germany are reviewed). It then analyses the reasons for the prohibition or authorisation of overlaps. This analysis enables the determination of criteria and principles that can be used to (re)map the overlaps to achieve appropriateness and legitimacy.

*The Protection of Geographical Indications in China* Xinzhe Song

2021-11-23 For some time now, there has been conflict concerning the role in the global marketplace of certain

agricultural or handcrafted products of specific geographical origin: whether they should come under trademark law (as favoured by common law countries such as the United States) or under the geographical indications (GI) system developed in France and subsequently promoted by the European Union (EU). At this moment, China is in the eye of the storm. Taking fully into account the legislative and judicial gaps in China's compromised embrace of the GI concept, this book shows how the Chinese case brings to prominence fundamental issues relating to the functional dissimilarity between trademarks and GIs, the treatment of the terroir concept, the role of GIs in rural development, and the challenges of adopting the French and European

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model in other countries, especially in East Asia. Providing detailed information on how GIs are registered, protected, and managed in China, France, and the EU, the book includes such practical analysis as the following: comparison between the Chinese and European GI systems to highlight differences in essential elements for GI registration and protection; mistakes and errors arising from forcing the GI function into trademark law; the increasingly larger scope of EU GI protection, protection of collective marks containing GIs, and the extension of GI protection to handicrafts; who is responsible for the protection of each registered name and who can sue for infringement; and legislative options for

future GI protection in China. Recognizing not only that GIs protect consumers against fraud and producers against unfair competition but also that the goals include the preservation of rural development, cultural heritage, and traditional knowledge, as well as environmental and ecological protection, this book provides a comprehensive reference on legal tools available for policymakers, legal practitioners, researchers, and local producers concerned with GI or trademark issues in China, France, or the EU. It will prove greatly helpful to corporate lawyers filing international registration applications and taking legal action. It will also be of inestimable value to officials in a variety of countries that are considering

developing or improving systems to enhance the value of terroir products, and to academics interested in intellectual property law, trademark law, agriculture policy, GI legislation, or World Trade Organization (WTO) rules.

**Governance of Intellectual Property Rights in China and Europe**

Nari Lee, Niklas Bruun 2016-01-29

Intellectual property (IP) law has been widely discussed in recent scholarship, though many recent works explore the topic from a largely descriptive perspective. This book provides an analytical and comparative study of Chinese and European IP law, as well as an analysis of system reforms in China. The book highlights, in three parts, intellectual property for innovation and

creativity in China, comparing concepts and norms in Chinese and European IP law, and governance of practices and IP enforcement. Demonstrating that the governance of IP rights requires the adoption of a set of norms, the contributors also argue that success is dependent on a transformation of the perspectives and implementation. Students and scholars of IP law, and Chinese IP law in particular, will find this book to be a valuable resource to their work. It will also be of interest to IP practitioners looking for an insight into system reforms in China. **The Law of Geographical Indications** Bernard O'Connor 2004-01-01 Over time, a product made in a specific place can develop a unique reputation. This reputation is often due

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to special characteristics present in the place: its people, its climate and its landscape. There are thousands of examples. In the food and drinks sector there are fruits and vegetables, wines, cheeses and cured meats: Champagne; Cheddar, Parma ham and Tipperary turnips. In manufacturers there are Persian carpets, Murano glass, Toledo steel and Japanese electronics. Should all these reputations be protected by law and if so how? This book "The Law of Geographical Indications" addresses these questions. The book examines what names can and cannot be protected in national and international law and the nature of the protection given. In the last years there has been a rapid expansion of the protection given to geographical

indications. The book looks at the specific systems adopted in some countries and the general systems in others. Protection is most developed in Europe and specific attention is given to the rules in the European Union and the bilateral agreements the EU has forged with many third countries. The book also examines protection in international law from the 1883 Paris Convention on the protection of intellectual property in general to the more recent TRIPs Agreement in the WTO. Also examined are the two most controversial legal issues surrounding the protection of geographical indications, namely, conflicts between trademarks and geographical indications and the generic character of certain

names.

*Individualism and Collectiveness in Intellectual Property Law* Jan Rosén 2012 This title embraces fundamental, eternal and yet very contemporary elements in IP law dealt with in all parts of the world.

### **Trademark Protection and Freedom of Expression**

Wolfgang Sakulin  
2011-01-01 Trademark law grants right holders an exclusive right to prevent third parties from using a sign. This can readily be seen as the antithesis of freedom of expression, which arguably includes a right of third parties to non-exclusive use of a sign for a variety of purposes, ranging from informing consumers, to voicing criticism or to artistic expression. Drawing on cultural theory and which has shown that society is involved in a constant

struggle about shaping the meaning of signs (including trademarks) and this highly original and provocative book contends that trademark law fails to sufficiently differentiate between commercial purpose and the social, political, or cultural meanings carried by one and the same sign. The author shows that the and functional approach to justifying trademark rights taken in current jurisprudence and doctrine is deficient, in that it does not take sufficient account of the fact that trademark rights can restrict the freedom of expression of third parties. Specifically, the exercise of rights granted under the European Trademark Regulation and the national trademark rights harmonized by the

European Trademark Directive can cause a disproportionate impairment of the freedom of commercial and non-commercial expression of third parties as protected by Article 10 of the European Convention on Human Rights (ECHR). The author's in-depth analysis explores such elements as the following: o the economic and ethical rationales of trademark rights; o whether trademark rights under European law can be justified by these rationales; o how freedom of expression can serve as a limitation to trademark rights; o what level of protection such freedom of expression grants to third parties; o the role of trademarks of social, cultural, or political importance in public discourse; o chilling effects on

public discourse that can be caused by the exercise of trademark rights; o the interpretation of provisions regulating the grant and revocation of trademark rights in light of freedom of expression; and o the interpretation of the scope of protection and the limitations of trademark rights in light of freedom of expression. In effect, the analysis serves to expand the focus of legislators, courts, and trademark registering authorities from the interests of trademark right holders, who seemingly are granted ever more protection, to the justified interests of third parties. The critical analysis of existing trademark law leads the author to clearly identify the areas of trademark law in which the law needs to be reinterpreted and

the areas in which legislative action should be taken, with recommendations for a number of limitations that should aid legislators in drafting concrete amendments. The new insights and imperatives provided by this book are sure to prove useful to both courts interpreting existing provisions of trademark laws and to legislators who are faced with the challenges of drafting new rules or revising existing laws.

Harmonization of Intellectual Property Rights on the European Level Christina Schubert 2010-06-16 Seminar paper from the year 2010 in the subject Law - European and International Law, Intellectual Properties, grade: 1,7, University of Marburg (Wirtschaftspolitik), course: Seminar:

Competition Policy and intellectual Property Rights: New exciting developments in European competition and US antitrust policy., language: English, abstract: This descriptive assignment will give a comprehensive overview of IP-law in Europe. It will mainly focus on the question in how far the EU reached a harmonisation of national IP-law in the main fields of industrial property rights as well as copyrights. In the beginning a short introduction of the historical development of IPRs and the legal framework in the EU will be given. The conclusion will revise the critical points.

Innovation, Competition and Consumer Welfare in Intellectual Property Law Gustavo Ghidini 2010-01-01 Professor

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Ghidini has long since made himself a worldwide reputation as a leading scholar. He is a profound critic of intellectual property protection that follows rigid property logic, and favours the functionalist competition/innovation logic. Innovation, Competition and Consumer Welfare in Intellectual Property Law is truly enriching reading. Hanns Ullrich, College of Europe, Bruges, Belgium We in the United States have much to learn not only from Gustavo Ghidini's careful analysis of modern trends in the European IP regime but also from his thoughtful development of the thesis that free competition should be understood as the overarching principle guiding both IP protection and what we call antitrust law.

Rudolph J.R. Peritz, New York Law School, US and author of Competition Policy in America This authoritative book provides a comprehensive critical overview of the basic IP paradigms, such as patents, trademarks and copyrights. Their intersection with competition law and their impacts on the exercise of social welfare are analysed from an evolutionary perspective. The analyses and proposals presented encompass the features and rationales of a legal field in constant evolution, and relate them to increasingly rapid technological, economic, social and geo-political developments. Gustavo Ghidini highlights the emerging trends that challenge the traditional all-exclusionary vision of IP law and its application. The author

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expertly combines holistic, evolutionary and constitutionally oriented approaches, with the search for a rebalancing of the IP rights holders positions with citizens and users rights. This book will appeal to academics, scholars and lawyers specializing in the realm of intellectual property, competition and comparative law.

**Intellectual Property in Common Law and Civil Law**

Toshiko Takenaka

2013-01-01 Intellectual Property in Common Law and Civil Law presents the perspectives of common as well as civil law, on global IP Law's most pertinent issues ranging from inventive step all the way to injunctive relief.

Edited by Professor Takenaka, director of the University of Washington's renowned Center for Advanced Studies and Research on

IP (CASRIP), the book assembles deep but easy to read essays by some of the world's leading IP scholars. In short, IP Law's most important issues from a global perspective; by the world's leading scholars, yet in a nutshell. Excellent! ð Christoph Ann, Technische Universität München, Germany Despite increasing worldwide harmonization of intellectual property, driven by US patent reform and numerous EU Directives, the common law and civil law traditions still exert powerful and divergent influences on certain features of national IP systems. Drawing together the views and experiences of scholars and lawyers from the United States, Europe and Asia, this book examines how different characteristics embedded in national IP systems

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stem from differences in the fundamental legal principles of the two traditions. It questions whether these elements are destined to remain diverged, and tries to identify common ground that might facilitate a form of harmonization. Containing the most current and up-to-date IP issues from a global perspective, this book will be a valuable resource for IP and comparative law academics, law students, policy makers, as well as lawyers and in-house counsels.

### **Trade Marks and Free**

**Trade** Lazaros G.

Grigoriadis 2014-05-06

This book is the first study to examine the issue of the legality of parallel imports of trademarked goods under the most important legal systems on an international level, namely under GATT/WTO law, EU law and the laws

of the ten major trading partners of the European Union. Part I consists of a general approach to the phenomenon of parallel importation and of a presentation of the theories that have been suggested to resolve the above-mentioned issue. The rule of exhaustion of rights, of which there are three types (rule of national, regional and international exhaustion of rights), is proposed as the most effective instrument to deal with the issue in question. Part II examines the question of exhaustion of trademark rights in light of the provisions of GATT/WTO Law. Part III analyzes the elements of the EU provisions on exhaustion of trademark rights (Articles 7 of Directive 2008/95/EC and 13 of Regulation (EC) 207/2009) and some specific issues relating

to the application of these provisions. Part IV presents the regimes of exhaustion of trademark rights recognized in the European Union's current ten most significant trading partners. The book is the first legal study to welcome, in light of economic analysis, the approach adopted by GATT/WTO law and EU law to the question of the geographical scope of the exhaustion of the trademark rights rule. It includes all the case law developed on an international level on the issue of the legality of parallel imports of trademarked goods and a comprehensive overview of the scientific literature concerning the phenomenon of parallel imports in general and the legality of parallel imports of trademarked goods. All

the views expressed in the book are based on the European Court of Justice's most recent case law and that of the courts of the most important trading partners of the European Union.

*Trademark Law and Theory*

Graeme B. Dinwoodie 2008

Boasting an impressive list of contributors, this first edition of *Trademark Law and Theory* brings together a compilation of well-written and powerfully argued works by leading international academics. The book is certainly one of the most extensive and thought provoking overviews of contemporary trademark law and theory yet to be published. . . Whilst all the contributions share in common their examination of the rapidity of change within trademark systems, the editors should be commended on

their generous seasoning of other cross cutting themes throughout the Handbook. . . This fascinating compendium enriches our understanding of the shape, substance, and form of trademark law and theory. . . this Handbook is perhaps a rare exception to the adage that no book can be all things to all men . Its broad sweep approach and cross cutting themes enable a range of interested parties, such as policymakers; academics in the fields of marketing, business, consumer psychology; in addition to the usual suspects; to dip in and out of the Handbook as they wish. . . a unique and erudite collection of essays concerning trademark law and theory. . . Odette Hutchinson, Communications Law Trademarks is an area of

vital, practical everyday concern, and the idea of producing a volume that brings together the perspectives of 19 thoughtful and experienced legal scholars is a bold and exciting initiative. The present volume does not disappoint and the two editors are to be congratulated on orchestrating an ensemble that simultaneously informs and stimulates. The title is apt: it is truly contemporary and is highly theoretical and doctrinal in character, while the interesting choice of the word handbook suggests clearly that this is a work in progress, a snapshot at a particular time of the challenging lines of individual research that each contributor to the volume is undertaking.

It is a fine addition to

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a larger series of research handbooks in intellectual property published by Edward Elgar under the series editorship of Jeremy Phillips. . . The editors have done a fine job in presenting this material in such a clear and coherent fashion. . . this is an excellent and rewarding volume of readings that will be of interest to anyone working in the area of trademarks, whether as an academic or as a practitioner. Indeed, for the practitioner it will be of particular value, in that it contains, and opens up, many areas of inquiry that may not always be apparent when working at the coalface of a particular problem. . . For both kinds of readers, the real value of the volume is to have so many different kinds of perspectives brought together within the

space of a single volume. . . this is a handsome production: the publishers and editors are to be commended on the clarity and cleanness of the typeface and headings, the thoroughness of the index, and the accuracy of their proof reading. It has also been given a striking and evocative cover. Sam Ricketson, University of Melbourne Law School Australia, European Intellectual Property Review Trademark Law and Theory is a first-rate exploration of the issues that will dominate trademark law in the 21st century. Authors from five continents provide a truly global perspective on the present and future of trademark law. An exceptional collection of contributors and contributions. Robert Denicola, University of

Nebraska, US This compendium is an excellent source of writing on all aspects of trademark law and practice by experts from Europe, the United States, South Africa, Singapore, New Zealand and Australia. It will be a stimulating read for lawyers, academics, students and policymakers alike on the present and developing trends in law and policy relating to trademarks as marketing tools and cultural artefacts. The editors deserve congratulation on their concept for the book and their judicious selection of material. David Vaver, University of Oxford, UK All students, young and older, in the burgeoni

**European Trade Mark Law**  
Annette Kur 2016-07-25  
European Trade Mark Law provides a coherent and authoritative commentary on both the substantive

and procedural aspects of European trade mark law. It presents an integrated picture of the two major trade mark law provisions at EU level: the Community Trade Mark Regulation (CMTR), which provides for the registration and protection of a Europe-wide mark; and the Trade Mark Directive (TMD), which aims to harmonise national trade mark laws. The book's core focus is the Community texts and case law, and it offers a detailed analysis of the CMTD and TMD, as well as practical discussion of the procedure for registering, maintaining, and challenging a trade mark through the European Trade Mark Office and at the national level. It considers how national laws have been successfully harmonised by the TMD, and where they differ

significantly from others in their implementation of the Directive. Written by one of the leading trademark lawyers in Europe, this is an invaluable reference for both academics and practitioners in this complex and rapidly developing area of law.

**Intellectual Property Law In The European Community**

Angus Phang 2004 This report, which includes contributions from 24 leading intellectual property attorneys throughout Europe, covers the fundamentals of intellectual property protection law and practice in each of the member countries of the European Community. (Legal Reference/Law Profession)

**European Community Trademark: Commentary to the European Community Regulations**

Miguel A. Baz 1997-11-26 An

established trademark indicates quality and provides valuable recognition for trade and sales promotion. Without adequate protection, these essential functions are jeopardized. The need for unification in this area, especially in Europe, can no longer be ignored. The Community Directive and Regulation are the response to this need. This commentary provides the texts of essential legislation and offers an analysis of the Directive and Regulation in their historical context. Coverage includes issues such as: grounds for refusal entitlement registration procedures jurisdiction and procedure in legal actions the impact of the Community trademark on applicants from non-member countries The transformation of the Council Directive and

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the Commission Regulations into national laws in many Member States of the European Union (EU) enhances the value of European Community Trade Mark in the interpretation and analysis of national European trademark laws. Written by leading European experts in the field, this commentary provides an invaluable tool for practitioners, scholars, and marketing managers in interpreting the Community provisions in this specialized, critical area. It is unique in its coupling of a strong theoretical background with the experience of contributors from diverse legal and practical cultures. *European Intellectual Property Law* Justine Pila 2019-08-08 European Intellectual Property Law offers a full account of the main

areas of substantive European IP law and a discussion of their wider context and effect. The amount and reach of European law, and decision-making in the field of intellectual property has grown exponentially since the 1960s, making it increasingly difficult to treat European law as an adjunct to domestic intellectual property regimes. European Intellectual Property Law responds to this reality by presenting a clear and detailed account of each of the main areas of substantive EU intellectual property law, situated in the context of both the EU legal system and international IP law, including EU constitutional law, the law of the European Patent Convention 1973/2000, and private

international law. It draws selectively on examples from domestic IP regimes to illustrate substantive differences between those regimes and to demonstrate the impact of European law, and decision-making on EU Member States. This unique, thoroughly modern approach goes beyond a discussion of

the provisions of European legal instruments to consider their wider context and effect. European Intellectual Property Law is the ideal guide for any student wishing to gain a full and critical understanding of the substantive European law of intellectual property.