

PROFILE



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Qualifications

LL.B. (Hons), University of London (1981)
Barrister-at-law, Gray's Inn (1982)
Fellow, Singapore Institute of Arbitrators
Admitted to the Bar of England and Wales (1982)
Admitted to the Singapore Bar (1983)

Language English

MORRIS JOHN

ABOUT MORRIS

Morris is a Consultant in Drew & Napier's Intellectual Property Department. He joined Drew & Napier in 1983 and became a partner in 1989. He had been a director since Drew & Napier LLC corporatised on 1 May 2001.

Morris is often named in leading publications. Recently, he was selected by his peers for inclusion in *Best Lawyers Singapore 2021* in the field of Intellectual Property, the thirteenth consecutive year since the survey started in 2008. Morris is also recommended by the *Practical Law Company Which Lawyer?* Yearbook 2012 for Intellectual Property work and *Asia IP Experts 2016* for Trade Mark and IP Litigation work. *Chambers Asia-Pacific* has ranked Morris in Band 1 for Intellectual Property since 2007. In 2020, Morris was recognized as a Senior Statesman by *Chambers Asia-Pacific* for seven consecutive years since 2014. He offers "a terrifically knowledgeable and supportive approach to clients who say they would not hesitate to instruct him". He is listed in the *International Who's Who of Trademark Lawyers* from 2008 to 2015 as a pre-eminent Intellectual Property practitioner. Morris is also listed in the *Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2009/2010* Edition as a leading individual for 9 consecutive years.



EXPERIENCE

Morris has extensive litigation experience. Some of the cases he has handled include:

- Successfully represented Sennheiser Electronic GmbH & Co KG in the latter's anti counterfeiting matters.
- Represented Dor-Ware Resources Pte Ltd who was sued for design infringement and successfully getting the design revoked.
- Represented Pfizer Pte Ltd in a trade mark infringement action against a pharmacist resulting in a two-month conviction against the pharmacist.
- A claim by V-Pile technology (Luxembourg) S.A. in respect of an alleged patent infringement by a local company.
- Representation of Creative Technology Ltd in a copyright infringement action against Aztech Systems Ltd.

ACCOLADES

Chambers Asia-Pacific

Intellectual Property 2021 – Senior Statesman for 8 consecutive years (Recommended for 14 years in total)

- "Morris John is a longstanding and respected IP lawyer with extensive experience in patent, trade mark and copyright infringement litigation. He also frequently assists clients with patent registrations."
- Consultant Morris John has "a vast body of experience advising on patent litigation and trade mark infringements."
- "...a seasoned IP practitioner who is highly reputed in patent litigation along with passing-off and trade mark infringement disputes. He also assists with patent registrations."
- "An important member of the IP group. Assists clients with complex IP disputes and patent registration."

Who's Who Legal

Trade Marks 2008-2015 - Recommended Lawyer for 8 consecutive years

Best Lawyers International: Singapore

Intellectual Property Law 2023 - Endorsed Individual for 15 consecutive years

Intellectual Property 2015/2016 - Lawyer of the Year

World IP Review

Intellectual Property 2017 – Leading Practitioner

Asia IP Experts

Patents, Trade Mark, Copyright and Litigation 2016 - Leading Individual



APPOINTMENTS/MEMBERSHIPS

- Immediate Past President, International Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property Singapore Group
- Member, Law Society of Singapore
- Member, Singapore Academy of Law
- Member, Asian Patent Attorneys Association