Intellectual property and IP insurance

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Key areas

- What is intellectual property?
- Why does it matter?
- Infringement
- Insurance



What is intellectual property?



Different types of IP

Patents

- A publicly disclosed document containing details of a novel, inventive technology.
- Patent register
- Provides the right to prevent others from making, using or selling an invention

Trademarks

- A recognisable word, name, symbol or brand which identifies and distinguishes products and services
- Registered & unregistered

Trade secrets

• Any other confidential information that has commercial value to an organisation

Copyright

• Grants the creator of an **original work** exclusive rights for its use and distribution

Why does IP matter?

Who 'invented' IP and how did all of this happen?

Patents

Historically a privilege granted by a sovereign, not a right

– e.g. 1449 – John of Utynam

1624 - Patents – Statute of Monopolies – Parliament of England

Trademarks

1266 – Trademarks – Bakers' marking law

Copyright

1710 – Copyright – Statute of Anne

Trade Secrets

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1800s – Trade Secrets (case law developments)



Intellectual property provides an **incentive to innovate**





Today's 'knowledge economy'

Patents

• Significant revenues generated from the license of patents.

Trademarks

- Brands
- Franchises / Characters

Copyright

• Song licensing

Tangible Assets vs. Intangible Assets for S&P 500 Companies, 1975 - 2018



Source: 2019 Intangible Assets report, Aon & Ponemon Institute



The 'knowledge economy'

Innovating innovations

1896 - US patent 568,379

"Steam Fire Engine"



2018 - US patent 10,000,000

"Coherent LADAR using intra-pixel quadrature detection"



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The future – what's going to happen?

Trends

- Greater awareness and focus on IP
- Value is becoming increasingly intangible
- Contractual terms and conditions
- New IP rights

MORE IP, MORE IP INFRINGEMENT!





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Intellectual property infringement

IP infringement - patent





IP infringement - patent





Third party patent rights

IP infringement - patent



Third party patent rights



From the news:



Apple and Samsung end patent fight after seven long years

① 27 June 2018

IP infringement - trademark

Registered and unregistered trademarks

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CFC's brand pallet

From the news:



Nando's asks Reading restaurant Fernando's to rebrand

() 12 March 2018

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IP Infringement - copyright





From the news:



Katy Perry copied Dark Horse from Christian rapper Flame, court rules

() 30 July 2019

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Insuring intellectual property infringement



Where can you find IP infringement insurance?

Defence cover in other insurance policy wordings

- Errors & omissions insurance
- Commercial general liability
- Professional liability insurance
- Media liability insurance
- Representations & warranties insurance



Standalone IP infringement insurance

Overview

- Full IP infringement cover for all types of IP
- A growing insurance market for a growing business concern
- Increasing underwriting and claims expertise more data & increasing use of technology

Any questions?

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