

Sana Hakim

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OVERVIEW

Sana Hakim assists clients with trademark clearance and trademark and copyright registration, protection, enforcement and counseling; domain name, social media and Web-related issues; and licensing and transactional work.

Sana regularly counsels for profit and non-profit clients with US and foreign trademark portfolios and manages global trademark portfolios for multi-national companies in a variety of industries including consumer packaged goods, education, hospitality, life sciences, and public relations. She also conducts due diligence for acquisitions and mergers. Sana also handles advertising review and clearance. In addition, she has represented clients in trademark and copyright infringement cases in federal courts throughout the United States, as well as in more than 100 opposition and cancellation proceedings before the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board. She also handles Uniform Domain Name Dispute Resolution proceedings before the National Arbitration Forum and the World Intellectual Property Organization.

Sana regularly represents clients in the consumer products, food, and professional services industries.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Sana was a partner in the intellectual property department of Bell, Boyd & Lloyd LLP prior to its combination with K&L Gates. She also served a judicial internship with the Honorable Ronald J. Stubblefield of the Oklahoma Court of Appeals.

Sana was an adjunct professor at DePaul University College of Law in the Fall of 2006.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Crain's Chicago Business Notable Women in Law 2024
- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*® for Trademark Law in Chicago, 2017-2024
- Listed in the World's Leading Trademark Professionals by *World Trademark Review* 1000, 2019-2024

- Recognized by *The Legal 500 United States* as a Recommended Lawyer for Trademarks: non-contentious (including prosecution, portfolio management and licensing), 2023-2024
- Go-To Thought Leadership Award, *National Law Review,* 2022
- Leaders League, “Best Law Firms for Trademark Prosecution,” Nationwide, 2020-2022

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- Intellectual Property Law Association of Chicago, Board of Managers, 2004-2006
- Chicago Intellectual Property Alliance (Board Member and Treasurer)
- International Trademark Association
- Arab American Bar Association of Illinois

EDUCATION

- J.D., University of Tulsa College of Law, 1994 *(Merit Scholar; Senior Articles Editor, Tulsa Journal of Comparative and International Law)*
- B.A., Northwestern University, 1991

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of Illinois
- United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin
- United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois

LANGUAGES

- French

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- 29 January 2026, Social Media Misuse—A Cautionary Tale
- December 2022, December 2022 Accolades - Part 1
- 4 November 2019, In the Weeds: Key Intellectual Property Takeaways for the Cannabis Industry

NEWS & EVENTS

- 29 January 2026, *World Trademark Review 1000* Recognizes K&L Gates IP Lawyers as Trademark Leaders in 2026 Edition
- 4 February 2025, *World Trademark Review 1000* Recognizes K&L Gates IP Lawyers as Trademark Leaders in 2025 Edition
- 14 February 2024, *World Trademark Review 1000* Recognizes K&L Gates, Lawyers as IP and Trademark Leaders in 2024 Edition
- 9 February 2023, K&L Gates, Lawyers Named as IP and Trademark Leaders in 2023 *World Trademark Review 1000* Rankings
- 18 August 2022, More Than 350 K&L Gates Lawyers Named Among 2023 Best Lawyers in America, Ones to Watch
- 15 March 2022, K&L Gates, Lawyers Named as IP and Trademark Leaders in 2022 *World Trademark Review 1000* Rankings
- 19 August 2021, Nearly 300 K&L Gates Lawyers Named Among 2022 Best Lawyers in America, Ones to Watch
- 17 February 2021, K&L Gates, Lawyers Named as IP and Trademark Leaders in 2021 *World Trademark Review 1000* Rankings
- 18 February 2020, K&L Gates, Lawyers Named as IP and Trademark Leaders in 2020 *World Trademark Review 1000* Rankings
- 12 February 2019, K&L Gates, Lawyers Recognized as IP and Trademark Leaders in 2019 *World Trademark Review 1000* Rankings

AREAS OF FOCUS

- IP Procurement and Portfolio Management

INDUSTRIES

- Consumer Electronics
- Consumer Goods and Services
- Life Sciences