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The list this year is comprised of 371 law firms. Thank you to all who participated.

- Averages and percentages have been rounded to the nearest tenth.
- There will be no additions to the list once it has been published.
- Survey forms were faxed to requesting firms on three separate occasions.
- For those firms not listed please email your request for future survey forms to planet@iptoday.com.

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RANK	NAME	PATENTS ISSUED			BY TYPE - 2001			AVG. 99-01	% CHG. 00-01	# PAT. ATTYS	# PAT. AGENTS
		2001	2000	1999	DESIGN	UTILITY	PLANT				
1	Oblon Spivok McClelland Moier & Neustadt	3380	3255	3145	129	3251	0	3260.0	3.8%	81	14
2	Sughrue Mion Zinn Macpeak & Seas	3365	3055	3010	n/p	n/p	n/p	3143.3	10.1%	100	0
3	Burns Doane Swecker & Mathis	2214	2240	2342	104	2089	21	2265.3	-1.2%	115	4
4	Birch Stewart Kolasch & Birch	2191	2029	1808	131	2060	0	2009.3	8.0%	39	15
5	Foley & Lardner	2037	1567	2205	111	1880	46	1936.3	30.0%	142	4
6	Pillsbury Madison & Sutro	1749	1934	2123	62	1687	0	1935.3	-9.6%	n/p	n/p
7	Oloff & Berridge	1743	1382	1479	n/p	n/p	n/p	1534.7	26.1%	n/p	n/p
8	Finnegan Henderson Farabow Garrett & Dunner	1729	1563	1959	77	1652	0	1750.3	10.6%	235	0
9	McDermott Will & Emery	1579	1530	1349	48	1531	0	1486.0	3.2%	59	4
10	Nixon & Vanderhye	1575	1397	1211	78	1497	0	1394.3	12.7%	31	2
11	Blakely Sokoloff Taylor & Zafman	1389	1369	1309	33	1356	0	1355.7	1.5%	78	3
12	Fish & Richardson	1385	1302	1373	73	1310	2	1353.3	6.4%	136	5
13	Armstrong Westerman & Hattori	1214	1086	1066	20	1192	2	1122.0	11.8%	23	2
14	Townsend & Townsend & Crew	1194	1127	1062	70	1122	2	1127.7	5.9%	116	12
15	Evenson McKeown Edwards & Lenahan	1129	972	917	109	1020	0	1006.0	16.2%	n/p	n/p
16	Kenyon & Kenyon	1123	1029	928	22	1101	0	1026.7	9.1%	180	4
17	Young & Thompson	1064	990	887	100	964	0	980.3	7.5%	n/p	n/p
18	Merchant & Gould	1019	1006	1039	128	891	0	1021.3	1.3%	91	5
19	Knobbe Martens Olson & Bear	946	923	861	61	882	2	910.0	2.5%	134	8
20	Arent Fox	945	887	800	27	918	0	877.3	6.5%	21	0
21	Pennie & Edmonds	893	878	980	66	826	1	917.0	1.7%	188	1
22	Ostrolenk Faber Gerb & Soffen	870	966	928	39	831	0	921.3	-9.9%	22	0
23	Harness Dickey & Pierce	866	767	677	64	802	0	770.0	12.9%	82	2
24	Bacon & Thomas	844	755	756	167	677	0	785.0	11.8%	8	1
25	Baker & Botts	823	870	747	85	738	0	813.3	-5.4%	110	1
26	Rader Fishman & Grauer	819	730	523	205	614	0	690.7	12.2%	31	5
27	Skjerven Morrill MacPherson Franklin & Friel	813	807	779	24	789	0	799.7	0.7%	45	4
28	Jacobson Holman PLLC	775	739	632	n/p	n/p	n/p	715.3	4.9%	14	1
29	Staas & Halsey	765	755	795	31	731	0	771.7	1.3%	25	1
30	Greenblum & Bernstein	742	666	609	45	697	0	672.3	11.4%	34	1
31	Lerner & Greenberg	713	633	426	26	687	0	590.7	12.6%	n/p	n/p
32	Banner & Witcoff	712	721	838	167	545	0	757.0	-1.2%	n/p	n/p
33	Darby & Darby	697	646	574	95	602	0	639.0	7.9%	50	8
34	George O. Saile & Associates	673	535	422	0	673	0	543.3	25.8%	9	7
35	Ladas & Parry	663	671	595	n/p	n/p	n/p	643.0	-1.2%	n/p	n/p
36	Connolly Bove Lodge & Hutz	649	828	299	32	617	0	592.0	-21.6%	31	2
37	Bracewell & Patterson	647	504	482	34	613	0	544.3	28.4%	n/p	n/p
38	Brooks & Kushman	644	631	464	n/p	n/p	n/p	579.7	2.1%	45	4
38	Nixon Peabody	644	505	456	26	618	0	535.0	27.5%	n/p	n/p
40	Leydig Voit & Mayer	625	559	625	85	540	0	603.0	11.8%	n/p	n/p
41	Schwegman Lundberg Woessner & Kluth	616	521	481	14	602	0	539.3	18.2%	n/p	n/p
42	Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione	607	660	578	36	571	0	615.0	-8.0%	134	4
43	Christie Parker & Hale	589	455	431	76	493	20	491.7	29.5%	56	0
44	Ratner & Prestia	587	548	585	15	572	0	573.3	7.1%	27	5
45	Marshall O'Toole Gerstein Murray & Borun	581	604	571	70	511	0	585.3	-3.8%	68	6
46	Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld	578	547	602	48	530	0	575.7	5.7%	45	9
47	Frishauf Holtz Goodman Langer & Chick	571	648	679	91	480	0	632.7	-11.9%	7	1
48	Browdy & Neimark	570	581	549	43	527	0	566.7	-1.9%	6	1
49	Myers Bigel Sibley & Sajovec	555	502	432	12	543	0	496.3	10.6%	25	0
50	Conley Rose & Tayon	540	555	544	4	536	0	546.3	-2.7%	36	13
50	Morrison & Foerster	540	478	403	0	540	0	473.7	13.0%	65	12
50	Scully Scott Murphy & Presser	540	417	366	21	519	0	441.0	29.5%	21	4
53	Frommer Lawrence & Haug	528	515	519	n/p	n/p	n/p	520.7	2.5%	n/p	n/p
54	Cooper & Dunham	511	520	687	34	477	0	572.7	-1.7%	41	0
54	Kilpatrick Stockton	511	664	527	56	465	0	567.3	-23.0%	87	1
56	Wolf Greenfield & Sacks	507	545	578	n/p	n/p	n/p	543.3	-7.0%	47	6
57	Jenkins & Gilchrist	504	516	460	61	443	0	740.0	-2.3%	71	4
58	Schiff Hardin & Waite	496	n/a	n/a	11	485	0	n/a	n/a	9	0
59	Thomas Kayden Horstemeyer & Risley	493	360	235	33	460	0	362.7	36.9%	n/p	n/p
60	Lyon & Lyon	492	629	597	36	456	0	572.7	-21.8%	87	3

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61	Michael Best & Friedrich	485	232	195	88	396	1	304.0	109.1%	50	5
62	Oppenheimer Wolff & Donnelly	471	610	328	79	392	0	469.7	-22.8%	n/p	n/p
63	Alston & Bird	469	479	421	46	423	0	456.3	-2.1%	68	3
64	Troxell Law Office PLLC	462	361	135	128	334	0	319.3	28.0%	3	0
65	Dorsey & Whitney	457	385	139	111	345	1	327.0	18.7%	63	3
66	Seed I.P. Law Group	448	392	615	37	411	0	485.0	14.3%	n/p	n/p
67	Millen White Zelano & Branigan	445	410	360	0	445	0	405.0	8.5%	n/p	n/p
68	Woodcock Washburn Kurtz Mackiewicz & Norris	441	370	393	25	416	0	401.3	19.2%	73	4
69	Keil & Weinkauff	438	379	281	n/p	n/p	n/p	366.0	15.6%	11	2
70	R E Bushnell & Law Firm	427	420	413	1	426	0	420.0	1.7%	6	2
71	Wells St. John P.S.	425	377	271	17	406	2	357.7	12.7%	14	1
72	Christensen O'Connor Johnson & Kindness	422	414	405	79	343	0	413.7	1.9%	50	2
73	Hogan & Hartson	420	348	35	30	390	0	267.7	20.7%	34	1
74	Trask Britt	407	362	275	37	370	0	348.0	12.4%	n/p	n/p
75	Smith Gambrell & Russell	402	413	457	15	387	0	424.0	-2.7%	10	2
76	Chapman & Cutler	388	n/p	n/p	7	381	0	n/a	n/a	n/p	n/p
77	Fay Sharpe Fagan Minnich & McKee	369	344	330	34	335	0	347.7	7.3%	34	1
77	Rothwell Figg Ernst & Manbeck	369	317	335	20	329	20	340.3	16.4%	26	0
79	Perman & Green	361	348	375	14	347	0	361.3	3.7%	19	0
80	Wood Herron & Evans	356	371	363	4	352	0	363.3	-4.0%	30	1
81	Cantor Colburn	352	231	187	37	315	0	256.7	52.4%	32	5
82	Allen Dyer Doppelt Milbrath & Gilchrist	351	295	193	10	344	0	279.7	19.0%	12	3
83	Beyer Weaver Thomas & Nguyen	350	254	232	6	344	0	278.7	37.8%	n/p	n/p
83	McDonnell Boehnen Hulbert & Berghoff	350	283	241	8	342	0	291.3	23.7%	49	11
85	Tarolli Sundheim & Covell	346	291	251	1	345	0	296.0	18.9%	12	0
86	Renner Otto Boisselle & Sklar	342	277	250	5	336	1	289.7	23.5%	23	1
87	Howrey Simon Arnold & White	341	453	103	20	320	1	299.0	-24.7%	n/p	n/p
88	Mattingly Stanger & Malur	338	276	n/a	5	333	0	307.0	22.5%	4	0
89	Woodard Emhardt Naughton Moriarty & McNett	336	308	321	51	285	0	321.7	9.1%	n/p	n/p
90	Cohen Pontani Lieberman & Pavane	329	354	347	19	310	0	343.3	-7.1%	25	0
91	Sterne Kessler Goldstein & Fox	322	288	278	28	294	0	296.0	11.8%	71	9
92	The Webb Law Firm	321	280	267	27	272	21	289.3	14.6%	25	1
93	Lerner David Littenberg Krumholz & Mentlik	312	269	223	31	281	0	268.0	16.0%	37	1
93	McGinn & Gibb	312	231	101	20	292	0	214.7	35.1%	7	1
95	Karl F Ross P.C.	310	298	297	51	259	0	301.7	4.0%	3	0
96	Collard & Roe & Nolte Nolte & Hunter	299	250	217	29	270	0	255.3	19.6%	9	2
96	Edwards & Angell	299	308	317	3	296	0	308.0	-2.9%	19	4
98	Pearne & Gordon	297	298	309	60	237	0	301.3	-0.3%	16	1
99	Dykema Gossett	296	233	63	32	264	0	197.3	27.0%	16	0
100	Valentine Francos PLLC	293	284	218	0	293	0	265.0	3.2%	5	1
101	Westman Champlin & Kelly	282	254	241	22	260	0	259.0	11.0%	n/p	n/p
102	Larson & Taylor	281	240	276	33	248	0	265.7	17.1%	10	0
103	Wagner Murabito & Hao	280	234	151	15	265	0	221.7	19.7%	17	3
104	Fleshner & Kim	278	240	143	n/p	n/p	n/p	220.3	15.8%	11	1
105	Barnes & Thornburg	272	321	260	33	239	0	284.3	-15.3%	34	2
106	Katten Muchin Zavis	271	59	236	16	265	0	188.7	359.3%	n/p	n/p
107	Norris McLaughlin & Marcus	267	185	394	15	252	0	282.0	44.3%	10	1
108	Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott	262	285	256	10	252	0	267.7	-8.1%	11	0
109	Flynn Thiel Boutell & Tanis	260	283	317	26	234	0	286.7	-8.1%	10	0
109	Ohlandt Greeley Ruggiero & Perle	260	303	304	32	228	0	289.0	-14.2%	17	3
111	Dickstein Shapiro Morin & Oshinsky	259	201	144	0	259	0	201.3	28.9%	37	0
111	Fulwider Patton Lee & Utecht	259	264	194	26	226	7	239.0	-1.9%	27	0
113	Klarquist Sparkman Campbell Leigh & Whinston	257	314	298	6	231	20	289.7	-18.2%	25	5
114	Jordan & Hamburg	255	214	213	31	224	0	227.3	19.2%	6	0
115	Moser Patterson & Sheridan	253	153	110	10	243	0	172.0	65.4%	27	4
116	Reed Smith	250	318	157	5	245	0	241.7	-21.4%	32	4
117	Heslin & Rothenberg	249	226	174	66	183	0	216.3	10.2%	15	2
118	Gray Cary Ware & Freidenrich	242	154	156	n/p	n/p	n/p	184.0	57.1%	26	0
119	MacMillan Sobanski & Todd	241	274	223	19	222	0	246.0	-12.0%	17	0
120	Haynes & Boone	239	204	144	16	223	0	195.7	17.2%	25	0
121	Greer Burns & Crain	238	271	260	18	220	0	256.3	-12.2%	15	1
122	Liniak Berenato Longacre & White	235	224	170	56	179	0	209.7	4.9%	12	1
123	Andrus Sceales Starke & Sawall	233	n/p	246	21	212	0	n/a	n/a	11	1
124	Bierman, Muserlian & Lucas	230	239	267	6	224	0	245.3	-3.8%	3	0