

# MANAGING IP AS AN ASSET

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#### INTRODUCTIONS



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# Managing Intellectual Property as an Asset

Part bond - part lottery ticket.

#### **C**APABILITY



### Developing and in-house role that's savvy and strategic

- Identify active industry participants
- Benchmark industry practices
- Access Relevant Market and IP environment
- Weigh current economic factors
- Determine regulatory requirements
- -Evaluate litigation and licensing

### GOALS



### How to affect change and leverage IP assets

- Define the business purpose
  - Revenue, defense, competitiveness, R&D
- -Establish strategic goals
  - Income generation, operational freedom, shareholder value
- -Generate a mission statement
  - Intended scope, purpose, targets and customer/market effects

### STRUCTURE The role of IP in company value creation

- Shareholder value
  - Organic growth, enforcement or strategic positioning
- Tiered organizations
  - Parent, IP Holding and Operating Companies
- Administrative services agreements
  - Organization, services, licensing and flow of funds between companies
- Corporate policies and procedures
  - IP policies for proprietary rights, open source,

#### VALUATION



### Considerations when valuing IP as assets

- Industry standards and practices
- Industry margins and % of royalty
- Commercial reasonableness
- Macro economic realities
- Time value of money, ROI
- Enforceability
- Foreign filings and rule of law

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### How to craft the best protection package

- IP protection best suited to the business
  - Internal/organic IP
  - Inorganic/acquired IP
  - Domestic US vs. Foreign Filings
- External licensing and protection programs
- IP as part of a corporate strategic

### INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY PENALMAN THE "BOND"

### IP protection best suited to the business

- Budgeting and business
- In-sourcing
- Outsourcing
- Available automation
- Trademarks, copyrights, patents and trade secret portfolios
- International associates, organization and

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### Organic IP

- Policies and procedures
- Alignment with operations
  - Oversight and financial responsibility
- Development incentives
  - Addressing multijurisdictional inventor rights
  - Access to inventors
- Valuation and reporting
  - Documentation and tracking

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### Inorganic IP

- Acquisition via M&A or brokerage
  - Policies and procedures
  - Alignment with operations
  - Research tools and processes
- Oversight and financial responsibility
  - Integration with organic IP
  - Valuation, documentation and tracking
  - International coordination

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### External IP licensing and protection programs

- Licensing models
  - Running royalty, Lump sum, Subscription
- Licensing terms
  - Industry standards and course of dealing
  - Cross licensing
  - Foundry and "have made" rights
  - Exhaustion downstream markets

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### IP as component of Corporate Strategic Business Plan

- R&D
- Compliance
- Marketing
- Budgeting
- Benchmarking
- Domestic and foreign markets

# IP ENFORCEMENT THE "LOTTERY TICKET"



- How should you monitor?
  - Effects on operations
- How often to search?
  - Pre-licensing / litigation diligence
- Where to file/how to file?
  - Strategic planning and tactical execution
- Shareholders/customer considerations
  - Unintended effects



# THE "LOTTERY TICKET" How should you monitor? - Effects on Operations

- Anticompetitive effects
  - Misappropriation
  - Imitators
  - Offshore /grey markets
- Oversight and accountability
  - Minimize operational distraction
- Align revenues, costs and taxation



#### THE "LOTTERY TICKET"

How often to search? - Pre-licensing / litigation diligence

- Deconstruction of IP claims
  - Charting infringement
  - Claim contentions
- Defenses /Invalidity
  - Prior art searches
- Remedies
  - ROI valuation of targets



# THE "LOTTERY TICKET" Where to file/how to file? - Strategic planning and tactical execution

- Choice of forum
  - Domestic, foreign, administrative
- Selection of trial counsel
  - Use of local counsel
  - Utilization of experts
- Available productivity tools and automation
  - E-Discovery requirements, trial tools and



### THE "LOTTERY TICKET"

Where to file/how to file? - Strategic planning and tactical execution

- Financial risk assessment
  - Small companies can have great IP
  - Emerging company revenues vs. mature sales
- Legal risk assessment
  - DJA's
  - Counter claims

# IP ENFORCEMENT THE "LOTTERY TICKET"



#### Shareholders/customer considerations

- Unintended effects
- Public disclosures
  - Reg FD and Sarbanes Oxley
- Stock valuation
  - Derivative actions
- Competiveness
  - Disclosures to competitors



# THE "LOTTERY TICKET" International IP considerations - Complexity

- Variety of filing requirements
- Limitations on remedies
- Differences in inventor rights
- Differences in the rule of law
- Risks of judicial corruption and local prejudice
- Competiveness and mandatory licensing