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Practice Focus

Christopher Stothers is a solicitor-advocate in England and Wales and a counsel in Arnold & Porter (UK) LLP's intellectual property litigation group in London. He concentrates his practice on high value cross-border patent litigation, including active involvement in opposition work before the European Patent Office, and antitrust and competition litigation. He covers all fields of technology—from pharmaceutical and medical devices to software and telecommunications. His practice also covers trade mark, copyright, and design litigation, pharmaceutical regulation, European Union law, commercial litigation and arbitration. From 2006 to 2010 he served as an arbitral panelist for .eu domain name disputes administered by the Czech Arbitration Court.

Dr Stothers is also a Visiting Lecturer in Intellectual Property and Competition Law at University College London. He regularly publishes articles and his 2007 practitioner textbook, "Parallel Trade in Europe", has been well received. He is a frequent conference speaker, having presented papers at the American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA), the Licensing Executives Society (LES), the Practising Law Institute (PLI), the Office of Harmonization for the Internal Market (OHIM), the Fordham Conference, and the College of Europe.

He is committed to pro bono matters, including cases on recognition of change of gender for social security purposes before the Social Security Commissioners, the First Tier Tribunal (Tax) and the Court of Appeal. His advocacy work on one of these cases was rated top of the Dispute Resolution section of the *Financial Times* Innovative Lawyers Awards 2008 and was shortlisted for the LawWorks Pro Bono Awards 2008.

Representative Matters

- Defended a medical device manufacturer in patent infringement proceedings before the Patents County Court in England and in related mediation proceedings
- Defended a telecommunications company in patent revocation proceedings before the High Court and Court of Appeal in England
- Defended a pharmaceutical manufacturer in patent entitlement proceedings before the High Court, Court of Appeal and House of Lords in England, and in related actions in France, Germany, and Austria
- Defended a pharmaceutical manufacturer in patent infringement proceedings before the High Court and Court of Appeal in England and in cross-undertaking enforcement proceedings before the High Court
- Represented a medical device manufacturer in patent Opposition proceedings before the European Patent Office
- Advised a software technology company on patent strategy before the European Patent Office and in Phase II merger control before the European Commission
- Defended a car manufacturer in commercial litigation before the Queen's Bench Division in England

PRACTICE AREAS

[Intellectual Property »](#)
[Antitrust/Competition »](#)
[FDA and Healthcare »](#)
[International Arbitration »](#)

EDUCATION

PhD, Downing College,
Cambridge, 2008
BCL, Brasenose College,
Oxford, 2000
LPC, Nottingham Law
School, 1999
BA, Downing College,
Cambridge, 1998

ADMISSIONS

England and Wales
