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### Languages

German, English, Spanish

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### Legal Expertise

Patent Infringement and Nullity Proceedings

Trademarks and Labels

Design Protection

Employee Invention Law

IP Contracts and Licenses

IP Due Diligence

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Copyright

**Christian Werkmeister advises on patent and utility model law in all technical fields. He is also active in competition, design, copyright, and trademark law, where he advises in particular at the interface with technical (including software-related) aspects, on the supplementary protection under competition law against passing off and on the protection of trade secrets.**

### Legal activity

Christian Werkmeister specializes in advising on and litigating intellectual property disputes as well as technical copyright law (software, product design). In advising clients and conducting proceedings, he pursues pragmatic solutions in order to achieve his clients' goals as effectively as possible from an economic point of view.

One focus is the conduct of patent infringement proceedings before German courts as well as strategic advice and coordination of internationally pending parallel patent litigation and nullity proceedings.

Another focus lies in the advisory and enforcement activities for the protection of product designs and service offerings. His activities also include conducting vindication proceedings, negotiating and drafting cooperation, license, settlement, and confidentiality agreements, as well as border seizures and measures relating to trade fair matters.



## Christian H. Werkmeister, LL.M.

### Career

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Since 2021 Attorney at Law at Wallinger Ricker Schlotter Tostmann.

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Admitted to the German Bar. Worked as a lawyer for a patent and law firm (three years) as well as for a large German commercial law firm (four years)

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Studied law at the University of Frankfurt am Main. Master's degree in International Intellectual Property Law from the University of Exeter/UK and Dresden with a focus on international and national patent and trademark law



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### Legal Education

Christian Werkmeister studied law at the University of Konstanz, Germany, and obtained a Master of Laws (LL.M.) degree from the Universidad Santo Tomás (USTA) in Bogotá, Colombia.

He was admitted to the German bar in 2013 and initially worked for more than three years as a lawyer at an international patent and law firm specializing in intellectual property in Munich.

Prior to joining WR in 2021, Christian Werkmeister worked for over four years as a lawyer and salary partner at a large German commercial law firm in Munich, where he mainly provided forensic services in the non-technical and technical areas as well as legal advice. Since 2017, Mr. Werkmeister has been qualified as a Licensed Specialist for Intellectual Property.



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### Memberships

+ German Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property (GRUR)

### Publications

Note on German Federal Patent Court: Technical Sectional Drawings Do Not Count as Prior Art, GRUR-Prax 2021, p. 205

Note on Higher Regional Court of Frankfurt a.M.: Patent Attorney Costs in Design Cases under Sec. 91 para 1 German Code of Civil Procedure, GRUR-Prax 2020, p. 341

Note on Higher Regional Court of Dusseldorf: Plaintiff Licensee Bears Costs of Invalidity Counterclaim, GRUR-Prax 2020, p. 153

Note on Federal Supreme Court: Seizure of the Single Patent of an Action Vehicle is Permissible, GRUR-Prax 2019, p. 472

Note on Federal Supreme Court: Greyscale Make Light-Dark Contrast an Object of Protection, GRUR-Prax 2019, p. 353

Note on Federal Supreme Court: Overlapping Characteristics of Different Representations are not a Unitary Subject Matter of Protection as required under Design Law, GRUR-Prax 2019, p. 354

Note on Higher Regional Court of Munich: Co-Entitlement to Foreign Filings under Sec. 249 para 1 German Civil Code, GRUR-Prax 2018, p. 527

Note on German Federal Patent Court: „Sub-Combination of Elements of a Design“ Still Admissible, GRUR-Prax 2018, p. 335

Note on German Federal Patent Court: Design Protection for Alienated Means of Payment, GRUR-Prax 2018, p. 81

Note on General Court (European Union): Lacking Individual Character in Case of a Déjà-Vu, GRUR-Prax 2017, p. 384



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