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Andy is joint head of the patent litigation department. His advice covers the full range of intellectual property rights, with a particular emphasis on patents, trade marks, registered designs and trade secrets.

Andy has considerable experience of representing high profile clients in IP disputes across a wide range of technologies, including complex mechanical and FMCG products, pharmaceuticals, mobile phones, automotives, electronics and medical devices. He has conducted several successful mediations of IP disputes and regularly provides freedom to operate and validity opinions. Frequently, he is asked by clients to coordinate cross-border litigation. He also has experience of making discovery applications to UK courts pursuant to letters of request/letters rogatory issued by foreign courts.

Andy has acted in many of the leading cases over recent years. These include the Unwired Planet/Conversant case in the High Court, Court of Appeal and Supreme Court on SEP/FRAND licensing [2020] UKSC 37 on behalf of ZTE. Other clients include Siemens, Samsung, Kennametal and Heineken.

Andy is frequently asked to comment and lecture on IP issues and is a regular speaker at international conferences on strategic considerations for European and international patent litigation. He regularly provides comments to the national press on intellectual property issues. He is on the Lexis Nexis IP & IT Editorial Board.