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TOTAL NUMBER OF ATTORNEYS: **31**

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AREAS OF PRACTICE:

Patents

Trademarks

Copyrights

Intellectual Property

Litigation

Transactions

FIRM OVERVIEW:

Lahive & Cockfield, LLP has stood for 25 years for excellence in the practice of intellectual property law. Based in Boston, Lahive is one of New England's largest intellectual property law firms and one of the leading patent, trademark and licensing firms in the U.S. Lahive serves clients around the world. The *Boston Business Journal* reported in July 2005, and again in 2006, that Lahive was ranked in the top four Boston firms in patents filed and top two in patents obtained.

As a leader in patents, trademarks, copyrights, technology-related transactions, and IP litigation, the firm protects the technology, innovation and commercial interests of its clients in such diverse fields as biotechnology, medical devices, computer systems, software, chemistry and electronics. Because Lahive never forgets the value of an original idea, its lawyers expand their clients' ideas, helping them build and maintain IP portfolios and protect original thinking in the marketplace.

The firm counsels clients in all areas of intellectual property law, including opinions, freedom-to-operate analyses, and due diligence investigations. Lahive regularly advises clients with respect to strategic matters involving competitors, venture capitalists, investment bankers, regulatory authorities and corporate partners. Lahive's client base ranges from individual inventors and small start-ups to major Fortune 500 companies.

Lahive offers clients a rare blend of seasoned, time-earned expertise combined with the entrepreneurial spirit of young professionals. Lawyers and technical specialists, 16 of whom have Ph.D.'s, collaborate to blend thorough understanding of the law with in-depth knowledge of the client's business. For the client, the result is access to new ways of thinking about the law executed with the know-how that only experience can provide.

The firm's patent prosecution group specializes in creating strong, strategically-positioned intellectual property portfolios for its clients.

The biotechnology and chemistry practice includes antibodies, genomics, proteomics, RNA interference, immunology, drug discovery, small molecules, and chemical processes.

The high technology practice serves clients in software—including modeling technology—information technology, networking and telecommunications, medical devices, mechanical, electrical, optical and combination technologies, such as fuel cells.

Lahive's litigation attorneys are actively involved in all areas of intellectual property enforcement and defense, and related counseling, and represent both plaintiffs and defendants in federal and state litigation in courts across the country. The firm has an excellent track record in achieving successful results for its litigation clients in jury and bench trials, mediations and alternate dispute resolution.

The trademark and copyright practice group assists clients with respect to the critical role trademarks and copyrights play in preventing imitation as clients introduce new products, ideas and innovations to the market.

Lahive's transactional practice has experience handling both basic and sophisticated technology-related deals. The team understands the role various transactions play within the larger framework of business development, whether for a large multi-national company or an emerging start-up, and works to assist and guide clients toward achieving their business and legal objectives. Through collaboration with Lahive's patent prosecution team, Lahive's transactional attorneys are distinctively positioned to provide unparalleled value to clients by bringing to bear a greater understanding of their technology.

Collaboration across practice groups is the hallmark of Lahive's service. Lahive's experience shows that this approach results in the best outcome for the client—highly tailored service that enhances the value derived from the client's technology. It is this service that enables Lahive to expand its clients' thinking, delivering the results for which the firm has been recognized again and again.