

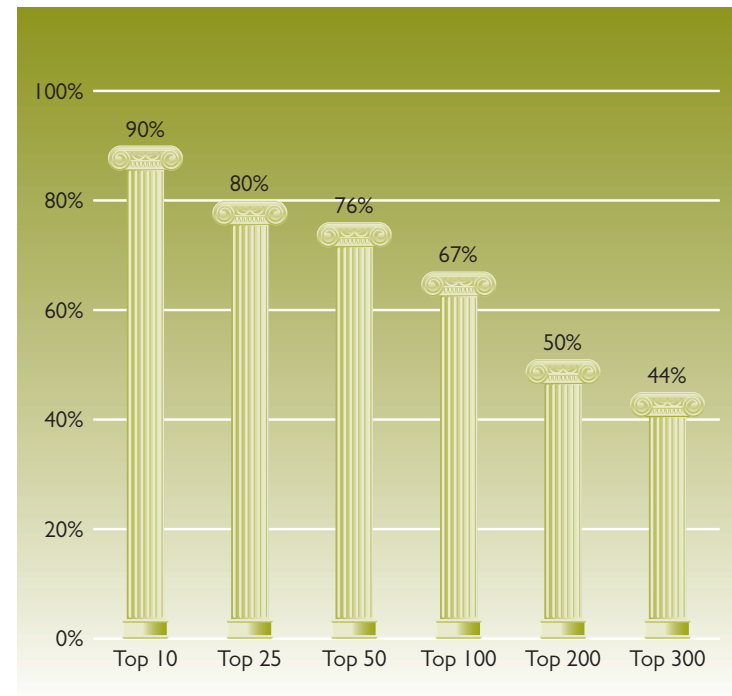
# Alumni in the Nation's Top Patent Law Firms

Pierce Law recently tallied the numbers to compile statistics on the careers of its patent law graduates to demonstrate the school's success in educating many of the top patent lawyers in the United States and around the world. The data was collected utilizing the Pierce Law alumni database, *Martindale Hubble*, the *West Legal Directory* and information from the web sites of firms and corporations. This article provides a portion of statistical information compiled by the staff of the Pierce Law IP Library for our "by the numbers" report. The entire analysis is available at <http://www.piercelaw.edu/ip/>.

Also featured is information released by *Intellectual Property Today*, a publication that ranks patent law firms and the top patent-producing corporations. Details on patent lawyers practicing in government and non-governmental organizations as well as firm and corporate settings not reflected in these rankings.

By the numbers, Pierce Law patent graduates around the world protect property and promote innovation from the largest corporations to the smallest inventor.

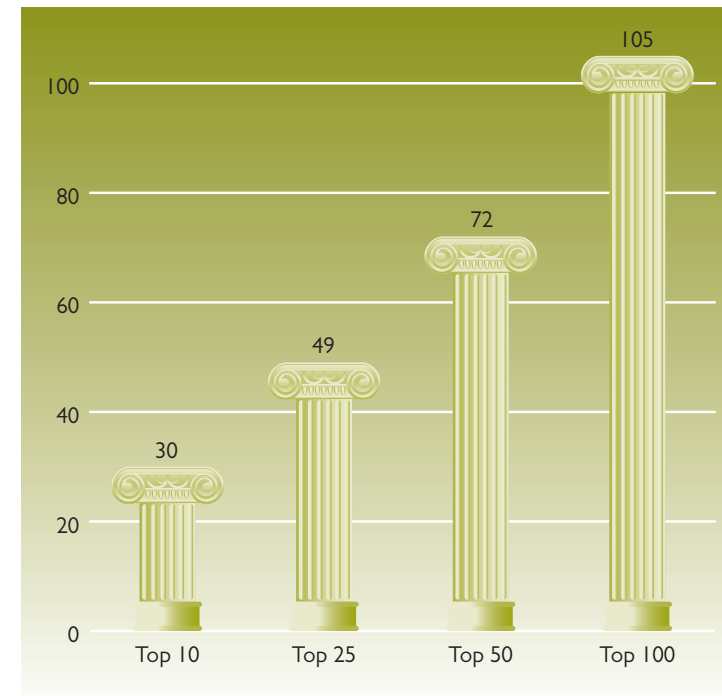
**Percentage of the Top Patent Law Firms that Employ Pierce Law Alumni**



## Pierce Law Alumni at the Top U.S. Patent Law Firms

Comprised of 352 law firms and individuals, the list of top patent firms are ranked according to the number of patent registrations issued in 2007. As indicated on the accompanying charts, Pierce Law alumni are overwhelmingly represented at the leading patent law firms in the United States, reflecting the excellence and professional capabilities they take into the workplace.

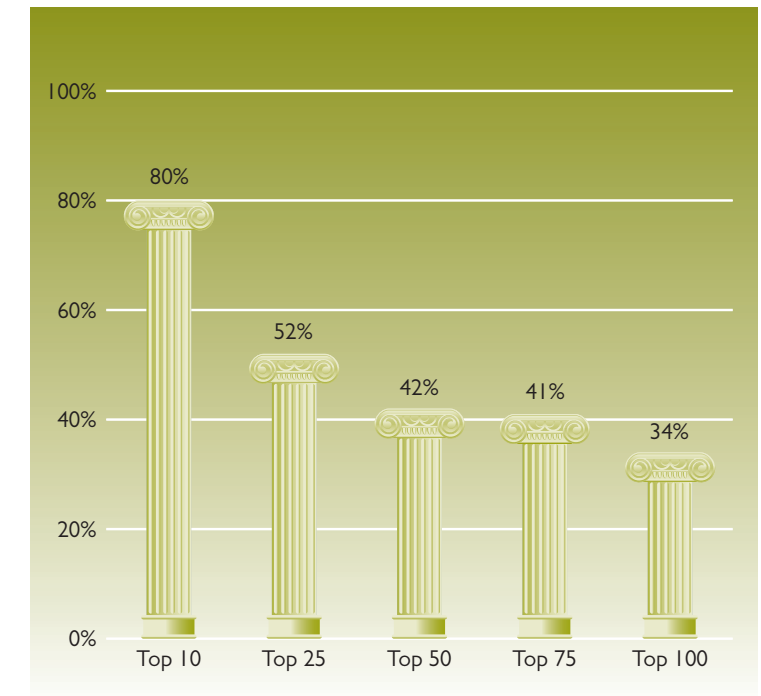
**Recent Success: Pierce Law Graduates 2000–2007 at Top Patent Law Firms**



## Recent Graduates at the Nation's Top Patent Law Firms

Pierce Law graduates work at many of the nation's top patent law firms. As listed by *Intellectual Property Today*, 2008, these firms include: Oblon, Spivak, McClelland, Maier & Neustadt, PLLC; Sughru Mion, PLLC; Birch, Stewart, Kolasch & Birch, LLP; Oliff & Berridge, PLC; Fitzpatrick, Cella, Harper & Scinto; Fish & Richardson; Harness Dickey & Pierce, PLC; Foley & Lardner LLP; Townsend and Townsend and Crew LLP; McDermot Will & Emery LLP; Knobbe Martens Olson & Baer, LLP; Finnegan, Henerson, Farabow, Garrett & Dunner LLP; Stass & Halsey LLP; Buchanan Ingersoll & Rooney PC; and Kenyon & Kenyon LLP.

**Top Companies Receiving U.S. Patents in 2007 that Employ Pierce Law Alumni**



## Corporate Patent Scoreboard

IFI Patent Intelligence, a Wolters Kluwer Health Business, announced its annual compilation of the world's top-ranked United States patent winners in its 2008 Corporate Patent Scorecard. Employing proprietary authority lists and algorithms IFI's analysts ranked organizations with the most patents awarded in 2007.

According to IFI, the top ten companies are: IBM Corporation, Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd., Canon KK, Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd. (Panasonic), Intel Corporation, Microsoft Corporation, Toshiba Corporation, Sony Corporation, Micron Technology Inc., and Hewlett-Packard Development Co., LP.

One hundred and twenty Pierce Law alumni currently work for the top companies receiving United States patents in 2007. This further illustrates how the quality of Pierce Law's programs prepares graduates to effectively participate in advancing cutting-edge technologies into the global marketplace.