

Machinery & Equipment

Machinery and equipment manufacturing is among the largest and most competitive market sectors in the U.S. and globally. At Rothwell Figg, we are experienced at protecting, defending, and enforcing IP at all levels—from regional equipment companies to national and global players in the manufacturing and equipment space.

Our team delivers the legal and business savvy needed to draft and prosecute patent applications in the U.S. and abroad. Our counsel is supported by advanced engineering degrees and real-world industry acumen. We are dedicated to translating the vision and objectives of business leaders, engineers, inventors, and in-house counsel into IP rights. We also represent industry constituents in an array of contractual matters, including but not limited to the licensing of utility and design patents.

Our litigation practice is among the best in the country. Our team offers deep experience litigating patent issues that arise in the machinery and manufacturing space, including patent infringement, invalidity, inequitable conduct, and willful infringement. We are experts at navigating the infringement laws, finding prior art and arguing invalidity cases, and doing deep dives into facts and discovery in cases with hotly-contested inequitable conduct or willful infringement claims.

We also represent industry businesses, on attack or defense, in non-patent cases involving machinery and equipment, including trademark disputes, trade secret disputes, and even breach of contract or business tort claims. Moreover, we advocate client rights in dispute resolution proceedings, including mediation and arbitration.

Our clients in the machinery, equipment production, and manufacturing space range from small and medium enterprises (SMEs), to large, public companies and iconic brands that promulgate the domestic and global machinery and equipment markets. Technologies with which our firm has experience range from cooling systems and printers to semiconductors and smart phones, engines, and agricultural equipment, as well as components for those listed above.