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George Stamatopoulos is a trial lawyer who represents companies and individuals in high-stakes disputes where technical complexity, financial sophistication, and litigation leverage drive commercial outcomes. His practice focuses on business-critical matters involving complex technologies, financial products, and expert-driven records, including trade secret, patent, and financial litigation.

He has served in key advocacy and strategic roles in jury trials, evidentiary hearings, and adversary proceedings, including patent and trade secret disputes involving network infrastructure, software, mobile devices, and life sciences, as well as disputes involving distressed situations, compensation arrangements, and market-related claims.

His trial experience includes representing Propel Fuels in trade secret litigation resulting in a \$604 million jury verdict and an additional \$195 million exemplary damages award, as well as former executives of a subsidiary of a major insurer in a bankruptcy adversary proceeding involving deferred compensation claims arising from the 2008 financial crisis.

In these and other matters, George has served as lead counsel at evidentiary hearings and administrative trials, conducted direct and cross-examinations of fact and expert witnesses, developed examination and case strategy, and worked with technical and financial experts to develop and challenge the evidentiary foundations of the claims at issue.

George regularly works directly with clients to develop litigation and pre-litigation strategies in business disputes involving intellectual property, financial misconduct, and cross-border asset recovery. He has represented clients before federal and state courts, bankruptcy courts, the United States International Trade Commission, and the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

George has been recognized by IAM Strategy 300 for intellectual property strategy and by Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch for intellectual property litigation.

Before entering the legal profession, George worked as a structural engineer. He is fluent in Greek.

Admissions

- New York State
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

Education

- New York University School of Law (J.D.; Editor-in-Chief, NYU Journal of Law and Business; Mitchell Jacobson, Leadership in Law and Business Scholar)
- UC Berkeley (M.S., Structural Engineering)

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- National Technical University of Athens (Diploma, Civil Engineering, high honors)
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Languages

- Greek
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Select Engagements

- Representation of 46 former executives and employees of AIG Financial Products, a subsidiary of American International Group, in Delaware Bankruptcy Court litigation against AIG seeking approximately US \$600 million in deferred compensation damages.
- Representation of Propel Fuels Inc. in *Propel Fuels Inc. v. Phillips 66 Co.*, resulting in a US \$604.9 million jury verdict following a five-week trial in California Superior Court, plus US \$195 million in exemplary damages and pre-judgment interest, bringing the total award to more than US \$833 million.
- Representation of equity holders of Travelport in expedited New York Supreme Court litigation arising from pandemic-related disruption to the travel industry and involving transactions relating to a US \$3.2 billion leveraged loan.
- Representation of Daewoong Pharmaceuticals in global trade secret litigation known as the “Botox War,” spanning the United States International Trade Commission and federal and state courts in California and Virginia, resulting in complete dismissals in the court actions and substantial narrowing of relief in the ITC proceeding before settlement.
- Representation of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO), Australia’s national science agency, in a four-week patent and contract trial in the Eastern District of Virginia involving agricultural biotechnology patents relating to omega-3 fatty acid production in commercial crop plants.
- Representation of Fractus S.A. in patent infringement actions against major U.S. wireless carriers and antenna manufacturers, resulting in a favorable settlement involving transfer of a base station antenna patent portfolio following trial presentation.
- Representation of John Pacilio, a U.S.-based options trader, in defending against criminal wire fraud, commodities fraud, and spoofing charges brought by the U.S. Department of Justice in the Northern District of Illinois. Motion practice led by Kobre & Kim resulted in dismissal of the government’s spoofing scheme theory.