

PROCESS TO OBTAIN AN EU TRADE MARK FOR OVERSEAS ATTORNEYS

INSTRUCTING ATTORNEY

Contact PW&F trade mark team with details of

1. Mark
2. Goods
3. Owner
4. Priority claims

Instruct PW&F to proceed with registration

Discuss with PW&F and instruct to proceed



Discussion/advice as to details of the application (eg goods)

Search (on request) in UK and EU trade mark registers

Prepare and file trade mark application with EU Intellectual Property Office (EU IPO)

Make recommendations to address issues raised by EU IPO

File response at EU IPO

EU INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY OFFICE

Basic EU Register search carried out on request

Carried out examination for distinctive EU check list of goods

Publication of application for any objections from third parties (3 months)

IN THE EVENT OF NO OPPOSITION

Confirmation of registration

Registered trade mark certificate sent

Consider requesting a watching service for similar marks

Renewal reminders sent after 10 years

IN THE EVENT OF ANY THIRD PARTY OPPOSITION

Details of opposition

Advise attorney on options for:

- defending this trade mark application; or
- settlement

Instruct PW&F whether to proceed with opposition or withdrawal

Defence of application