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EIP makes partner hire with highly experienced electronics and semiconductor patent attorney

EIP has announced further growth with the hire of <u>Andrew Thompson</u>, a highly experienced electronics and semiconductor technologies patent attorney.

Andrew has over 20 years of experience in the patent profession and joins EIP from Withers & Rogers where he was promoted to partner in 2012, having joined in 2006.

Andrew's technical expertise lies broadly in electronics, having spent much of his career drafting and prosecuting patent applications for companies in the semiconductor, telecommunications, defence and clean technology sectors. Through his work for a major US semiconductor company, Andrew has particular expertise in drafting and prosecuting patent applications for complex transistor, converter and sensor technologies.

Andrew also has significant experience supporting in-house legal teams of major technology companies, with a particular focus on the US. Andrew has operated as client relationship partner for several significant technology companies, and is adept at providing portfolio management and strategic advice. He brings a pragmatic, data-driven approach to his work.

In addition to the above, Andrew was Head of Clean Technology at his previous firm and brings extensive knowledge of the sector.

Given Andrew's work with US companies, he travels there regularly, and is well connected across the country.

Andrew Thompson, partner at EIP, said:

"I'm excited to join EIP with its exceptional reputation in the market, and I'm looking forward to growing EIP's offering in the electronics and semiconductor sectors. I believe EIP's exciting combination of patent attorneys, litigators and commercial lawyers working together will benefit my practice. I also look forward to building EIP's profile in the US."

Magnus Hallin, CEO at EIP, said:

"Andrew is an experienced patent attorney whose expertise will deepen EIP's electronics capabilities. Also, I look forward to Andrew bringing his knowledge of the US market to further strengthen EIP's international offering."

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