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More than 140 guests attended dinner at the Four Seasons Georgetown in Washington DC last month for *Managing IP*'s third annual North America Awards Dinner

Lawyers from the leading firms in the US and Canada, as well as VIP guests from the US Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, the US Copyright Office, AIPLA and the USPTO attended the event.

More than 40 awards were presented to the leading firms in patent, trade mark and copyright work, as well as special awards for outstanding IP practitioner and lifetime and outstanding achievement.

Twenty awards were made to the leading regional firms of 2009 in the areas of patent prosecution and litigation, trade mark filing and contentious work and copyright work. Presentations were also made to the national award winners in the US and Canada for cases of the year in the area of trade marks, patents and copyright, and for work in life sciences, pharmaceutical litigation and disputes at the International Trade Commission.

The awards follow the publication of the magazine's well-established IP survey of leading patent, trade mark and copyright firms in February, March and April this year. As part of the work for the survey, *Managing IP*'s researchers, based in New York, London and Hong Kong, asked lawyers and their clients to identify firms that have had an outstanding year in any aspect of IP work. Based on these recommendations, shortlists were drawn up for each jurisdiction and the winners were selected from these shortlists. ■

NATIONAL FIRMS OF THE YEAR - UNITED STATES

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WINNER: COVINGTON & BURLING

Covington & Burling nabbed nine ITC experts from Heller Ehrman over the past year – a major boon to an already stellar ITC group. The firm successfully represented six of the 25 companies accused by SanDisk of patent infringement.

SHORTLIST

Adduci Mastriani & Schaumberg

Covington & Burling

Finnegan Henderson Farabow Garrett
& Dunner

Fish & Richardson

Morrison & Foerster

Weil Gotshal & Manges