

## Registration and Transfer of Trademarks for Same-Business-Group Companies: New Guidelines in Colombia

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"On August 5, 2022, the Trademark Office of Colombia: The Superintendency of Industry and Commerce (SIC), issued Resolution 51804 establishing the new guidelines related to applications for registration and transfer of identical or similar trademarks for companies belonging to the same business group, which came into force as of September 1, 2022."

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By **Peter L. Brewer**, Partner, Thrive IP

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By **Juan Felipe Acosta**, Partner, OlarteMoure

"Recently, I had the opportunity to discuss naked licensing with a US colleague during negotiations for a worldwide agreement. There were some differences in the content of some licenses, but we finally reached an agreement. This experience made me realize the importance of addressing the issue of naked licensing within the Andean Community."

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“Since January 14 2023, the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office (SPTO) has been the competent administrative body to hear applications for nullity and cancellation of trademarks, without prejudice to the fact that its decisions may be reviewed by the civil courts (Commercial Courts and higher courts). The attribution of jurisdiction therefore extends to trade marks and trade names.”

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“When dealing with applications in the English language, one may assume that the meaning of terms is similar when referring to the same document in different jurisdictions. However, while there are some similarities between the format of claim language in the U.S. and in the European Union (“EU”), important considerations should be taken into account when drafting patent application claims that will likely be used in a counterpart application in other jurisdictions. These considerations generally relate to functional recitations, antecedent basis, recitation of prior art in independent claims, use of conjunctions, and other miscellaneous differences. This article provides a comparative overview between the general practice at the United States Patent and Trademark Office (“USPTO”) and the European Patent Office (“EPO”).”

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