



# National Law Journal Recognizes Justin Poplin as a 2016 IP Trailblazer

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**OVERLAND PARK, Kan. (June 1, 2016)** – Lathrop Gage Partner A. Justin Poplin has been selected as one of *National Law Journal's* 2016 Intellectual Property Trailblazers.

The 2016 Intellectual Property Trailblazers recognize attorneys “who continue to make their mark in various aspects of legal work in the areas of patent, copyright, trade and trade secret law.” This year’s honorees were selected from hundreds of nominations and are credited with showing “passion and perseverance in pursuit of their mission, having achieved remarkable successes along the way.”

*National Law Journal* notes Poplin’s experience with inter partes review (IPR) matters and his respective success for client Munchkin, Inc. “There have been more IPR design patent fights that followed, and a lot of them use what we did as a template for challenges using IPR,” Poplin told the publication.

As Department Chairman of Prosecution & Transactions for Lathrop Gage’s Intellectual Property Division, Poplin leads a team of more than 60 patent practitioners. He is also a registered patent attorney and has extensive knowledge of patent laws and regulations and spends the majority of his time assisting clients with patent issues. He also regularly counsels clients regarding trademark, copyright, trade secret, licensing and confidentiality issues.

In 2015, Lathrop Gage Partners, Bill Beck, Jessica Merrigan and Greer Lang were also recognized by *National Law Journal* as “Trailblazers” for their respective practice areas.

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