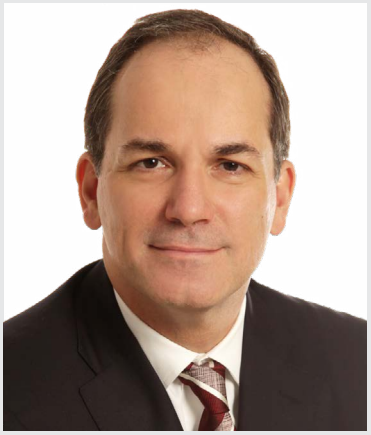
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PRACTICE AREAS

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- Copyright
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- UPOV
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- Trade Secrets & Regulatory
- Data Protection
- Licensing & Technology Transfer
- Internet, E-commerce & Software
- Food & Drug Law

LANGUAGES

- Portuguese
- English
- Spanish

BIOGRAPHY

Otto Licks is a founding partner at Licks Attorneys, a Brazilian law firm with more than 380 professionals across six offices in Brazil, China, and Japan. With 30 years of experience, Otto is widely recognized for his work in complex patent litigation and public policy, particularly in the ICT, telecommunications, technology, and life sciences sectors.

His practice focuses on patent validity and enforcement, Standard-Essential Patent (SEP) and FRAND litigation, preliminary and permanent injunctions, patent monetization and licensing strategies, trade secrets, unfair competition, and regulatory exclusivity. He has extensive experience representing international clients in highly technical and commercially significant disputes before Brazilian trial and appellate courts, including the Brazilian Supreme Court. For the past 12 years, Otto has been involved in every ICT SEP litigation case filed in Brazil, exclusively representing patent owners in the enforcement and defense of their patent rights.

Otto was responsible for Brazil's first nationwide patent adjudication campaign involving patent monetization, covering optical CD-R/RW and DVD technologies in the early 2000s, and has acted as first chair in more than 100 cases, from TROs and ex parte injunctions to leading cases before the Brazilian Supreme Court. His experience also includes significant life sciences matters that have contributed to the development of pharmaceutical patent protection in Brazil.

Before entering private practice, Otto served as a treaty officer at the Organization of American States in Washington, D.C., and as a UNDP consultant to Brazil's Ministry of Foreign Affairs during the implementation of the WTO TRIPS Agreement and the enactment of Brazil's current Patent Statute in 1996. A frequent speaker at international conferences and the author of numerous publications, he is consistently recognized among Brazil's leading patent attorneys.

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- IAM Global Leader (2027, 2026, 2025, 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021);
- Lexology Index – Global Elite Thought Leader – Intellectual Property – Patents (2026, 2025, 2024, 2023, 2022);
- IAM Strategy 300 (2026, 2025, 2024, 2023, 2022);
- IP Stars – Patent Star (2026, 2025, 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019);
- Leaders League – Life Sciences (2026, 2025, 2023, 2022, 2021, 2019, 2018, 2017);
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AFFILIATIONS

- Federal Circuit Bar Association (FCBA);
- Brazil-China Business Concil (CEBC);
- São Paulo Lawyers Association (AASP);
- Licensing Executives Society (LES);
- New Jersey Intellectual Property Law Association (NJIPLA);
- Brazilian Bar Association – Rio de Janeiro (OAB/RJ);
- Brazilian Bar Association – Distrito Federal (OAB/DF);
- Member of national and international associations such as ABPI, ABAPI, AIPLA, AIPPI, BIO, IBA, IPO, etc.;
- ITechLaw (International Technology Law Association).

EDUCATION

- Fellow, Chizaiken – Institute of Intellectual Property (1997);
- Doctor of Juridical Science (S.J.D), George Washington University Law School – GW Law (1996);
- Master of Laws (LL.M), Intellectual Property, George Washington University Law School – GW Law (1994);
- Master of Laws (LL.M), International Law, George Washington University Law School – GW Law (1993);
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