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David divides his practice between patents and designs. He heads up the design practice of FRKelly, and in his patent work he specialises in telecommunications and software-related inventions, medical devices and physics-related inventions. He joined the profession in 1993 and moved to FRKelly in 1998, joining the Partnership in 2002.

With extensive experience of European and PCT patent law and practice, David served for several years on the EPO's Examination Committee for the qualifying exam in European patent law which is taken by all prospective European Patent Attorneys. He has written and spoken widely on topics in patent and design law.

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