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## WIPO LIST OF NEUTRALS

### BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

Thijs VAN AERDE  
Houthoff Coöperatief U.A.  
Amsterdam  
The Netherlands



Nationality: Dutch

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### EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

LL.M. in Law & ICT (University of Groningen), Netherlands.

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### LANGUAGES

Dutch, English, German, French

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### PRESENT POSITION

Advocaat, Counsel at Houthoff.

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### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE BEFORE PRESENT POSITION

Advocaat, Houthoff.

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### MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL BODIES

Dutch Group of the International Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property (AIPPI);  
International Trademark Association (INTA);  
Dutch Association of Civil Cassation Lawyers (VCCA);  
Benelux association for Trademark and Design law (BMM);  
Intellectual Property Litigation Lawyers' Association (VIEPA) (board member as from 2020).

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## AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Specializes in litigation before the lower Dutch courts, the Dutch Supreme Court, and the European Court of Justice. Focuses on issues related to intellectual property law, tort law, and procedural law matters. Regularly assists clients in domain name disputes.

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## EXPERIENCE IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

14 years of experience;  
Capacity: bar-admitted lawyer, also admitted to the bar of the Supreme Court;  
Principal nature of functions: advising and representing clients in intellectual property-related matters.

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## EXPERIENCE WITH RESPECT TO DOMAIN NAMES

Acted as counsel to complainants in various UDRP proceedings (both ccTLD (.NL) and gTLD);  
Represented clients in domain name disputes before the Dutch lower courts and the Dutch Supreme Court.

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## MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

A.M. van Aerde, 'Europees recht en het stelsel van art. 24 en 25 Rv', *MvV* 2009-6;  
A.M. van Aerde, 'Harmonisering van IE-recht en de cassatiepraktijk, en over honden vermomd als koeien', in: P.J.M. von Schmidt auf Altenstadt & B.T.M. van der Wiel (red.), *Middelen voor Meijer: Liber amicorum mr. R.S. Meijer* (2013);  
B.T.M. van der Wiel & A.M. van Aerde, 'Zorgplichten bij consumentenkredietverstrekking', in: D. Busch, C.J.M. Klaassen, T.M.C. Arons (red), *Aansprakelijkheid in de financiële sector* (2013);  
A.M. van Aerde, 'Chapter: The Netherlands', in: *International Design Protection: A Global Handbook*, Second Edition (2017);  
A.M. van Aerde, 'De Wet auteurscontractenrecht: Een nieuwe regeling voor de exploitatieovereenkomst tussen maker en exploitant', *ORP* 2016/40;  
A.M. van Aerde, 'Proceskostenverordeling en toegang tot de rechter in IE-zaken', *TCR* 2018/4.7  
Various case law annotations in legal journals.

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## EXPERIENCE IN COURT LITIGATION

Capacity: counsel to plaintiffs and defendants in approximately 150 court cases involving intellectual property rights in the Netherlands and the European Union.

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