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WOODCOCK WASHBURN WELCOMES WILLIAM F. SMITH AS OF COUNSEL

The national intellectual property law firm *Woodcock Washburn LLP* is pleased to announce that former Administrative Patent Judge **William F. Smith** has joined the firm as of counsel and practices in the Atlanta office. Most recently with Clements Walker, Mr. Smith spent 33 years with the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), the last 19 of which were at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences.

Mr. Smith received a B.Ch.E. from the Georgia Institute of Technology and his J.D. from the University of Baltimore. He is admitted to the Virginia State Bar and is also admitted to practice before the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. He is a member of the American Intellectual Property Law Association, the Federal Circuit Bar Association and the Carolina Patent, Trademark and Copyright Law Association.

NEW INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY PARTNER JOINS ROME OFFICE TO LEAD ITALIAN IP PRACTICE

McDermott Will & Emery Studio Legale Associato is pleased to announce the appointment of **Francesco Mattina**, who joins the Firm on 1 October 2007, as a partner in the Intellectual Property, Media & Technology Department. Francesco will lead the Firm's intellectual property practice in Italy, advising both Italian and international companies in the defence and protection of intellectual property rights.

Francesco represents many multinational clients in various industries, on a wide range of legal issues relating to intellectual property rights, before the Specialised Sections on Intellectual Property Rights. One of Francesco's most recent exploits was to assist a famous designer in the protection of his industrial design creations, obtaining a cross-border interim measure from the Specialised Section on IP rights of the Florence Tribunal.

RAYMOND VAN DYKE APPOINTED CHAIR OF AIPLA'S EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES COMMITTEE

Raymond Van Dyke, partner in *Winston & Strawn LLP*'s Washington, D.C. office, was appointed chair of the American Intellectual Property Law Association's (AIPLA) Emerging Technologies Committee. His appointment by the president of the association becomes effective this month.

He has been an active member of AIPLA for 12 years and most recently served as the committee's vice chair. The mission of AIPLA's Emerging Technologies Committee, which has several hundred members, is to foster communication and education in areas of emerging technologies and intellectual property law, particularly in the growing areas of nanotechnology, Internet, VoIP and informatics. Van Dyke will be in charge of developing and producing educational programs relating to emerging technologies at the committee level and at the three national AIPLA meetings.

TWO NEW INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAWYERS BRING STRONG LEGAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL EXPERTISE TO GROWING CLIENT BASE

In another example of its continuing growth, *Armstrong Teasdale's* Intellectual Property Practice Group is pleased to announce the hiring of two additional lawyers, **James J. Barta, Jr.** and **Michael H. Longmeyer**. These additions bring the total number of lawyers in Armstrong Teasdale's Intellectual Property Practice Group to 35, of which 26 are registered to practice before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Barta received his J.D. degree from Saint Louis University School of Law in 1999 and his M.S. degree in Computer Science in 1996; Graduate Certificate in Networking and Telecommunications in 1996; and three B.S. degrees in Electrical Engineering (1994), Computer Science (1994) and Computer Engineering (1996) from Washington University. He is a member of The Missouri Bar Association, Bar

Association of Metropolitan St. Louis, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Association for Computing Machinery and the Engineer's Club of St. Louis.

Longmeyer received his J.D. degree, magna cum laude, from Ave Maria School of Law in 2004 and his M.S. (1991) and B.S. (1989) degrees in Aeronautical and Astronautical Engineering from Purdue University. He is a member of The Missouri Bar, Illinois State Bar Association, Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis, American Bar Association and the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics.

K&L GATES' PALO ALTO OFFICE EXPANDS INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY PRACTICE WITH ADDITION OF PARTNER BEN BEDI

Kirkpatrick & Lockhart Preston Gates Ellis LLP (K&L Gates) welcomes partner **Ben Bedi** to its intellectual property litigation practice. Bedi comes to the firm from Dechert LLP.

Bedi's practice focuses on patent litigation and the strategic development of intellectual property assets. His litigation experience includes cases in U.S. District Courts both inside and outside California and at the International Trade Commission, which is a growing area of activity for K&L Gates. Bedi has proven technical expertise in many aspects of semiconductor manufacture, solar cell fabrication, image processing, and software and Internet applications among other areas. He also has assisted clients to build patent portfolios in the renewable energy and "green tech" fields.

JACOB GATSCHET JOINS FISH & RICHARDSON

Fish & Richardson P.C. announced that **Jacob A. Gatschet** has joined the firm's Minneapolis office as an associate in its Litigation Group. Before joining Fish, Mr. Gatschet was a law clerk to the Honorable William C. Griesbach, United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Wisconsin.

Mr. Gatschet received his J.D., *magna cum laude*, in 2006 from Ave Maria School

of Law, where he was a Senior Editor of the *Ave Maria Law Review*. He received his M.A. in English from Gonzaga University in 1995, his B.Phil. from St. Michael's Institute in 1995, and his B.S., *summa cum laude*, in mathematics from Creighton University in 1986. Prior to attending law school, he worked as a math instructor at Arizona Western College. He is admitted to the bar in Michigan and Minnesota.

MARGER JOHNSON & MCCOLLOM NAMES NEW PATENT AGENTS

David Crowther and Tim Murphy are new patent agents and Ayan Paul has been promoted to patent agent with *Marger Johnson & McCollom, PC*. Like all the firm's intellectual property attorneys and patent agents, Crowther, Murphy and Paul combine extensive technical and engineering expertise with law credentials.

David Crowther earned his Juris Doctor from Lewis and Clark Law School and his Bachelor of Science in computer engineering with a mathematics minor from Brigham Young University.

Tim Murphy will earn his Juris Doctor from University of Michigan Law School in 2008, has his Master of Science in electrical engineering from University of Michigan, and earned his Bachelor of Science in electrical engineering from Boise State University.

Ayan Paul earned his Doctorate of philosophy and Master of Science in electrical engineering and control systems from University of Southern California. His Bachelor of Technology in electrical engineering is from Regional Engineering College in Hamirpur, India.

GOLDFARB JOINS DLA PIPER'S LITIGATION PRACTICE IN DALLAS

DLA Piper US LLP has announced that **Jeffrey Goldfarb** has joined the firm's Litigation practice group as a partner in its Dallas office. He comes to DLA Piper from Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP.

Goldfarb is a litigator with a focus on complex business litigation, intellectual property and trademark disputes, arbitration and appeals. He also has extensive experience in matters involving corporate governance, officer and director liability and shareholder disputes.

Goldfarb received a J.D. from Harvard Law School and a B.A., *magna cum laude*, from Brandeis University. He served as law clerk to the Honorable Irving L. Goldberg, United State Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, from 1994 to 1995. Goldfarb has twice been recognized as one of "The Best Lawyers in Dallas Under 40" and was named a Texas "Super Lawyer" in a survey of his peers in 2003.



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NIXON PEABODY LLP EXPANDS INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY PRACTICE IN CHICAGO

Nixon Peabody LLP, a leading U.S. law firm, further establishes its presence in the Chicago market with the arrival of **Georgia C. Evans**. Ms. Evans, an associate in the firm's Technology and Intellectual Property Practice Group, is relocating to Nixon Peabody's Chicago office.

Ms. Evans is an experienced attorney who provides counsel on prosecution cases primarily in the fields of biotechnology and chemistry. She has prosecuted applications involving novel compositions, drug delivery systems, diagnostic assays, molecular techniques and processes, transgenic organisms, pharmaceutical and industrial compounds and compositions, glasses and glass ceramics. Additionally, Ms. Evans has extensive experience in patent interferences, licensing and other transactional matters, client counseling matters, and patent litigation.

Ms. Evans is originally from Rochester, New York. She earned her J.D. *cum laude* from the University at Buffalo School of Law, where she was the Note and Comment Editor of the *Buffalo Law Review*, and received her B.A. in chemistry from Binghamton University. She is a member of the American

Bar Association and the American Intellectual Property Law Association.

PAUL HASTINGS CONTINUES TO EXPAND IP PRACTICE WITH ADDITION OF SAM TALPALATSKY TO ORANGE COUNTY OFFICE

Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker LLP, a leading international law firm, is pleased to announce that **Sam Talpalatsky**, formerly the Chief Intellectual Property Counsel with Conexant Systems Inc., has joined the firm's intellectual property practice as Of Counsel, resident in the firm's Orange County office. Mr. Talpalatsky's practice focuses on intellectual property related matters, including complex litigation, strategic planning, licensing, transactional matters, patent and trademark prosecution.

Talpalatsky is the former Chief Intellectual Property Counsel at Conexant Systems, Inc., a worldwide leader in semiconductor solutions for broadband communications, where he advised and counseled the company's senior management on matters regarding intellectual property, litigation, strategic planning, transactional matters, licensing and risk management.