

Corporate Partner Christopher A. Pesch Joins Freeborn's New York Office

Christopher A. Pesch has joined [Freeborn & Peters LLP](#) as a partner in the firm's Corporate Practice Group in New York.

In a release, the firm said the New York office since that office was formed in March 2016 through the combination with New York City firm Hargraves, McConnell & Costigan P.C., with a particular focus on insurance and reinsurance law.

"We are thrilled to welcome Chris to Freeborn's New York office where he adds breadth and depth to our current team of attorneys including a number of top insurance and reinsurance practitioners," said Daniel Hargraves, the Managing Partner of Freeborn's New York office. "Chris has been a leader in corporate and securities law for many years and his knowledge and experience will be great assets for the diverse business clients we serve."

Freeborn Co-Managing Partner William E. Russell added, "Chris enhances the scope and caliber of services that we provide to our clients from New York. As a former Chicago practitioner, he also brings insights and leadership that will benefit our corporate clients across all Freeborn's offices."

The firm said Pesch focuses his practice in a broad range of general corporate and securities matters, including mergers and acquisitions, compliance with federal securities laws, public offerings, corporate governance, and general commercial transactions. He has represented diverse businesses of all sizes, including publicly and closely held corporations, in the areas of corporate finance, securities, and business organization. In addition, he has represented purchasers and sellers in a variety of business transactions, including

mergers and acquisitions, divestitures, and joint ventures.

Most recently, Pesch was a partner and served as chair of the Corporate and Securities practice at PIB Law. Previously, he also served as chief legal officer for former insurance industry technology and outsourcing solutions provider Patriot National, Inc.

Pesch received his J.D. from Seattle University School of Law (cum laude) and his Bachelor of Arts from Lake Forest College.

FisherBroyles Adds Litigators in Florida and Philadelphia

[FisherBroyles, LLP](#) has added [Wayne Alder](#) and [Alfred J. Monte, Jr.](#) as partners and litigators in the firm's Naples, Fla., and Philadelphia offices, respectively.

"Wayne and Alfred are great additions to the team of successful litigators in our Southwest Florida and Philadelphia offices," said FisherBroyles General Counsel and Managing Partner of Litigation [Joel M. Ferdinand](#). "Wayne and Alfred also continue the growth that has made FisherBroyles the largest distributed law firm partnership in the nation."

Alder said, "I look forward to working alongside my new colleagues to deliver the brand of high-level service and value that clients expect from FisherBroyles."

Monte added, "I am thrilled to collaborate with other

attorneys who combine their Big Law experiences with the platform that FisherBroyles offers for delivering high-level, cost-effective legal services to our clients.”

In a release, the firm said Alder concentrates his practice on litigation matters and represents companies, individuals and municipalities. He has experience in the litigation of claims related to professionals’ business and international transactions. He also handles the defense of directors and officers against trustees in bankruptcy, as well as matters related to marine and shipyard liability, product liability, environmental claims, personal injury, construction defects and claims, cyber risks and claims, architects and engineers, and insurance coverage disputes. Alder also has experience in the area of condominium law, the Florida Condominium Act, homeowners association issues, general liability, and property claims and defense.

Previously, Alder was a partner at Kaufman Dolowich & Voluck LLP in Boca Raton, Fla. He also formerly was a partner with Becker & Poliakoff in West Palm Beach, Fla., and served as co-managing partner with Seiden, Alder & Matthewman, P.A., in Boca Raton, Fla.

Alder received his J.D. from Seton Hall University School of Law and his Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Hartwick College. He also attended Regent’s University in London.

The firm said Monte focuses his nationwide practice in business risk management, both preventative and post-litigation. He has litigated and tried to conclusion cases in virtually every jurisdiction in the nation. The vast majority of his practice involves businesses operating in federally regulated environments, focusing on the often-conflicting obligations of regulated businesses to disclose adverse events to regulatory agencies and the resulting liability exposure such disclosures cause. He is actively sought out by medical

device, pharmaceutical, biotech and other businesses regulated by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to design and manage risk before and after litigation has initiated. He is well-versed in traditional and alternative risk management strategies.

Prior to joining FisherBroyles, Monte served as the founding chair and later as co-chair of the Life Sciences Practice Group at Fox Rothschild, LLP for more than 11 years.

Monte received his J.D. from Villanova University School of Law and his Bachelor of Arts from DeSales University.

Steptoe Adds Hill Veteran George Callas to Government Affairs and Tax Practices

George Callas, who served as senior tax counsel to Speaker of the House Paul Ryan and was one of the chief architects of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA), has joined the [Steptoe & Johnson LLP](#)'s Government Affairs & Public Policy and Tax Groups. He will serve as a managing director in Steptoe's Washington office.

Callas is a 15-year Capitol Hill veteran who spent most of that time working on tax issues at the committee level and for Republican leadership. As senior tax counsel to Ryan since 2015, Callas worked as lead staff negotiator for House Republicans on the three major tax packages that were enacted

into law during Ryan's tenure. Along with the TCJA, which Ryan personally thanked him for shepherding upon signing the legislation in December 2017, Callas led the charge on the Protecting Americans against Tax Hikes Act of 2015 and the tax title of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018, the firm said in a release.

Previously, Callas served seven years on the House Committee on Ways and Means, including as chief tax counsel, where he worked closely with former Chairmen Dave Camp, Paul Ryan, and current Chairman Kevin Brady. In 2012, Roll Call recognized him as "One of Five Hill Aides to Know" in tax. During his tenure as chief tax counsel, Callas also worked on the revenue aspects of several pieces of trade legislation. Callas's Hill experience also includes time spent on the Senate side, serving as legislative director and senior advisor to Sen. George Voinovich, and a position as counsel to the House Budget Committee.

"George is one of the most influential tax staffers on the Hill," said Steptoe Chair Phil West, who also leads the firm's tax department. "Along with his strong technical tax skills, George has been recognized for his ability to translate the technical aspects of tax policy into concise and straightforward language that legislators, Treasury officials, and business executives understand. He will provide great value to clients, from large multinational corporations to trade associations, in navigating the new tax laws and the rulemakings that lie ahead."

Micah Green and Scott Sinder, who co-lead the firm's Government Affairs and Public Policy Group, added: "George's experiences both technically and politically at the committee level and in the speaker's office, have given him unique insights not only into how tax laws are negotiated and enacted, but also the intent of the Congress on virtually every section of the most significant tax reform legislation to pass Congress in over three decades. Such deep and recent

experiences and insights will provide tax clients valuable perspective on tax regulatory, legislative, and planning strategies as this new law is implemented and continually reviewed.”

Callas remarked: “Since reaching a decision to leave the Hill, I’ve explored a number of opportunities with law, lobbying and accounting firms. Steptoe is the right fit. With a stellar tax practice and equally strong public policy shop, it is the combination of everything I was looking for to shape and grow a comprehensive tax policy and legislative practice.”

Callas earned his B.A. and his J.D., with honors, from the University of Florida, where he served as the senior managing editor for the Florida Journal of International Law. He also received an LL.M. in taxation from the University of Florida. Before transitioning to Capitol Hill, Callas spent several years at KPMG as a senior tax associate.

Michael Best Names New Chief Operating Officer

Truda K. Chow has joined [Michael Best](#) as Chief Operating Officer. Chow most recently served as a senior advisor at LawVision Group, a professional and legal services consultancy.

In a release, the firm said Chow will work closely with firm leadership, including the chief finance officer, chief

information officer and practice group managers, to oversee the firm's operations, administrative, and human resources functions. She will collaborate with the chief marketing and business development office to execute firm strategy initiatives.

"Truda stood out above all other candidates in our extensive search as an experienced and intelligent leader who has counseled professional service organizations and law firms around the world," said David Krutz, firm managing partner. "The law firm COO is more important than ever to an organization's success, and Truda's expertise will be a huge asset as we continue to strategically expand our services and business operations nationally."

Chow has management experience in strategy, operations, finances, recruiting and retention, culture and mergers, the firm said. During her career, she provided national and international guidance, particularly in Asia, where she developed and implemented Asia regional strategies for multinational organizations. Prior to that, Chow held several positions in the legal industry and international consultancies providing counsel on global marketing and business development initiatives, growth, and investment strategies.

"I'm thrilled to join Michael Best," said Chow. "Michael Best's growing national presence coupled with the firm's strong leadership in the industries they serve was a major draw in deciding to join the firm, and I'm looking forward to assisting in its continued strategic expansion."

Chow received her M.B.A. from Northwestern University's Kellogg Graduate School of Management, her J.D. from Loyola University's School of Law, and her B.S. from the University of Illinois.

Orsinger, Nelson, Downing & Anderson Announces Two New Partners

Boutique family law firm [Orsinger, Nelson, Downing & Anderson, LLP](#), announced the promotions of Chris Oldner and Holly Rampy Baird to partner.



“Chris and Holly are exceptional attorneys who have demonstrated their dedication to the success and well-being of our clients,” said partner Keith Nelson. “We are pleased to have them accept this new responsibility.”

Oldner served three terms as judge of the 416th District Court in Collin County, where he presided over criminal and civil cases, including family law bench and jury trials. He holds dual certification in Family Law and Criminal Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization.

He has served as co-chair of the Judicial Disproportionality Workgroup for the Supreme Court of Texas Permanent Commission for Children, Youth and Families’ Court Improvement Project, and as a member of the Texas Center for the Judiciary’s Children’s Justice Act Task Force. Oldner earned his law degree from the Texas Tech University School of Law.



Recognized for five consecutive years on the Texas Rising Stars list, Baird earned a place on the publication's list of the Top 100 Up-and-Coming lawyers and the Top 50 Up-and-Coming Women lawyers. She also was recognized on D Magazine's 2018 list of Best Lawyers Under 40 for her work in divorce and complex property division, modification and enforcement actions, and child custody litigation.

Most recently, Baird was selected to People Newspapers' 20 under 40 listing for 2018, which honors young professionals making the biggest impact in the Park Cities and Preston Hollow neighborhoods of Dallas. Certified in Family Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization, she is a graduate of Texas Tech University School of Law.

Quarles & Brady Adds Health Care Lawyer John Hintz

John Hintz has joined the Quarles & Brady LLP's Health & Life Sciences Practice Group in the role as of counsel in its Milwaukee office.

Hintz focuses his practice on health care business transactions, including forming and administering clinically integrated networks, negotiating managed care contracts, and establishing and maintaining clients' legal compliance. His experience includes representation of health care entities,

including providers, payers, third-party administrators, PPOs, billers and others.

Hintz is an Adjunct Professor of Law at Marquette University Law School, teaching courses in managed health care. He is a member of the State Bar of Wisconsin, the Arizona Bar Association, and the American Health Lawyers Association. Hintz has also been recognized by Nightingale's Healthcare News as one of the country's ten Outstanding Physician Practice Lawyers.

Hintz worked as a clinical physiologist before becoming an attorney, and began his legal career with Blue Cross & Blue Shield United of Wisconsin. At Blue Cross, he focusing on health care litigation, insurance compliance, and corporate business transactions. He then transitioned into an executive role, assuming responsibility for the provider networks of Blue Cross and its subsidiaries, before moving into private practice.

Jackson Walker Adds Two to Corporate Group

Jackson Walker announced the addition of Larry Glasgow and Richard Waggoner to the Corporate and Securities practice in Dallas.

In a release, the firm said Glasgow and Waggoner each bring to the firm more than 30 years of experience in sophisticated

transactions involving mergers and acquisitions and private equity.

“We are thrilled to welcome Larry and Richard to our Corporate and Securities practice,” said Wade Cooper, the firm’s managing partner. “Their experience handling complex corporate matters of all sizes – but more important, their commitment to client service and value – are a great fit for our firm.”

“Larry’s and Richard’s experience coast-to-coast and internationally in a wide range of industries melds well with our practice,” said Dallas partner Richard F. Dahlson, who manages the Corporate and Securities practice group at Jackson Walker. “Larry’s extensive understanding of deal points has helped mold the M&A practice and will provide a tangible benefit for our clients engaged in mergers and acquisitions. Richard is a global corporate law resource who has a well-earned reputation for getting deals done.”

The firm said Glasgow is an M&A attorney who represents acquirers and sellers in transactions ranging in size from mid-market to in excess of \$1 billion. He represents clients in the healthcare, energy, banking, trucking, entertainment, hospitality, and technology industries.

“Without a doubt, joining Jackson Walker is a great decision for my clients and for myself,” Glasgow said. “I look forward to not only benefitting from but contributing to the valuable resources of Jackson Walker’s Chambers-ranked Corporate group to better serve clients.”

The firm said he co-founded the American Bar Association’s M&A Deal Points Studies and the M&A Market Trends Subcommittee. He also co-founded and annually co-chairs the University of Texas School of Law’s Mergers and Acquisitions Institute, which brings together practitioners and experts to evaluate current M&A trends, opportunities, and concerns facing the finance, accounting, and legal industries.

The firm said Glasgow has been consistently recognized by The Best Lawyers in America for M&A and corporate law. He has also been listed among the top rated lawyers in M&A and healthcare by The American Lawyer and Corporate Counsel as well as for international M&A by Who's Who Legal.

Richard L. Waggoner is an M&A lawyer who counsels sophisticated investors and issuers on private equity transactions, governance, contracts, and general corporate legal needs, the firm said. He also regularly counsels boards of directors and board committees on matters of corporate governance. Over the years, he has advised clients on distressed acquisition opportunities, creation of expansion capital, and strategies to deal with the growing reluctance of banks to fund large and highly leveraged deals.

Since 2016, Richard has been recognized among The Best Lawyers in America for Corporate Law, and has also been listed in Thomson Reuters' "Texas Super Lawyers" list for M&A.

"I pride myself on getting deals done as efficiently as possible," Waggoner said. "Joining Texas powerhouse Jackson Walker enables me to offer tremendous value to my clients around the world. Jackson Walker has nationally recognized subject matter experts in all areas. My clients are very excited about this move."

Glasgow and Waggoner join Dallas real estate partners Cynthia Brotman Nelson, George C. Dunlap, Jr., Kevin L. Kelley, and Scott Tuthill as the most recent partner additions at Jackson Walker.

"The move to Jackson Walker has been a great one for me and my clients," said Kelley, who joined the firm after serving as chair of the real estate practice at his previous firm. "In my short time here, I've already seen firsthand how Jackson Walker emphasizes client service and efficiency."

Farrell Fritz Adds Steven J. Lee, Construction Associate, to Uniondale Office

Steven J. Lee of Flushing has joined [Farrell Fritz](#)'s commercial litigation practice group, where he focuses his practice on construction matters.

Prior to attending law school, Lee founded a construction company, Evolution Contracting, Inc. (Flushing, NY), where he remained president for 10 years. Immediately prior to joining Farrell Fritz, he was an associate in the Insurance Fraud practice group at Rivkin Radler LLP. Previously, he was an associate/law clerk at Wormser, Kiely, Galef & Jacobs, LLP and a New York State Pro Bono Scholar law clerk at the New York Legal Assistance Group.

Lee earned his Juris Doctor, cum laude, from the Maurice A. Deane School of Law at Hofstra University. While in law school, he co-founded and directed the Veterans Legal Assistance Project. Steven holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from the State University of New York at Geneseo.

Lee, who speaks conversational Korean, is admitted to practice in New York State.

Foley Gardere Adds Finance Lawyer to Houston Office

Foley Gardere announced that Neal A. Bakare has joined the firm's Finance Practice Group and Energy Industry Team as of counsel in the Houston office. He joins from Macquarie Bank Limited, where he served as Senior Vice President of Legal Risk Management.

In a release, the firm said Bakare's background includes time as both an in-house attorney and a private practice attorney at an international law firm. He has represented clients across the finance and energy industries, including investment banks, private equity funds, limited partnerships, public and private companies, hedge providers, and oil and gas corporations, among others.

"Texas continues to see heavy activity in the energy and financial services sectors, and we have a long history of successfully managing energy projects and financings," said Michael F. Rogers, Foley Gardere's Houston Office Managing Partner. "Neal's experience as an in-house attorney, paired with his knowledge of the Houston market and beyond, will provide tremendous value to our clients locally and nationally. We are thrilled to have him on board."

The firm said Bakare has worked on equity transactions, complex structured transactions, mergers and acquisitions, divestitures of assets and entities, debt financing transactions (in both borrowing and lending roles), mezzanine debt and senior secured borrowing base financing transactions, and hedging transactions, among other corporate legal counsel relating to financing activities. His representative

experience includes providing counsel to large global investment banks on mezzanine financings of oil and gas corporations in the United States, Canada, France and Colombia and representing a large upstream oil and gas corporation in a bid for Permian Basin oil and gas assets.

“Our finance attorneys provide extensive transactional and counseling services to a wide range of clients in the financial services industry. Neal’s experience working on behalf of banks and other lenders, investors and borrowers will immediately benefit our team and our clients,” said Laura L. Bilas, chair of the firm’s Finance Practice Group. “We look forward to leveraging Neal’s understanding of the current market and his hands-on experience as we continue to grow our practice in Texas and beyond.”

Sidley Austin Partner Karen Popp Honored by Global Investigations Review

Global Investigations Review (GIR) honored Sidley Austin’s Washington, D.C. partner Karen A. Popp with its inaugural “Award for Services to Diversity.”

Popp was lauded for her “great commitment to improving women’s positions in the workplace,” both within Sidley and in the wider white collar defense and investigations world. GIR commended Popp for her leadership in developing Sidley’s

firmwide women's program, forming the D.C. office's Diversity Committee for racial, ethnic and LGBT communities, and serving as the first Chair of Sidley's D.C. Women's Committee.

She was also cited for serving on Sidley's task forces on Diversity and Women, formed by the Executive Committee. Popp was praised for co-founding the Women in White Collar Defense Association, which she launched along with Beth Wilkinson in 1999 shortly after leaving government and noticing the distinct lack of female practitioners on panels or among the attendees at the American Bar Institute's Annual National Institute on White Collar Crime.

GIR credited Popp's vision and "impressive leadership and interpersonal skills" with the "extraordinary growth" of the organization which has grown to 30 chapters with more than 1,400 members across the world in less than 20 years.

At Sidley, Popp is the global co-leader of the firm's White Collar: Government Litigation & Investigations group. She has a practice representing companies and individuals in high-profile matters with legal, political and public relations components, such as corporate criminal defense, internal investigations, SEC Enforcement, Congressional investigations, OIG and State Attorney General actions, corporate compliance, and litigation.

Quarles & Brady Adds Brian Anderson to Real Estate Group

Brian D. Anderson has joined Quarles & Brady LLP's Real Estate Practice Group in the role as of counsel in its Madison office.

Anderson focuses his practice on commercial real estate and mortgage finance. His experience includes real estate sale and purchase, commercial leases, real estate development, stadium financing, tribal real estate, project financing, public-private partnerships and more.

Anderson is a member of the Wisconsin Bar Association's Real Estate Section and Indian Law Section. He has been recognized as a Best Lawyers in America honoree in Real Estate Law for the past five years.

Before practicing law, Anderson was a math and English teacher in rural Wisconsin, as well as in Kenya where he volunteered for the Peace Corps. He received his Bachelor of Arts from University of Minnesota and his Doctor of Law from University of Maryland School of Law.

IP Team Joins Barnes &

Thornburg in Chicago and Washington, D.C.

[Barnes & Thornburg LLP](#) has added Matthew E. Leno, Peter M. Siavelis and Matthew J. Gryzlo as partners in the Intellectual Property Department.

Siavelis and Gryzlo will reside in the Chicago office where the firm has seen the addition of six partners this year, and Leno will practice out of the Washington, D.C., office. All three join from McDermott Will & Emery.

“The Chicago office is in a growth phase and the addition of these accomplished IP attorneys continues that strategic trajectory,” said Mark Rust, managing partner of the Chicago office. “We’ve been making significant investments in Chicago and other key markets, like Washington, D.C., and seeing it reflected in the exceptional legal talent that we’re able to attract and retain on behalf of our clients.”

“We’re thrilled to welcome this group to the firm,” said Julia Gard, chair of Barnes & Thornburg’s Intellectual Property Department. “We have a deep bench of talented attorneys with technical backgrounds and experience. The addition of these three will be an asset to our clients facing sophisticated and complex challenges to their business.”

In a release, the firm said:

Matthew Leno concentrates his practice on intellectual property litigation, including patent, trademark and trade secret matters, and implementing and executing patent portfolio management, invention harvesting, patent prosecution and intellectual property transactions. He represents clients in a variety of industries, including medical devices, dental devices, cellphone technology, semiconductors, internet, information filtering technology,

data communications, data storage, tracking systems and software, air handling systems, energy recovery systems, manufacturing, chemical processing and consumer packaging. Having previous experience as a patent examiner for the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Leno is well-versed in inter partes reviews before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board. Leno also dedicates his time to pro bono work to provide public special education services for families in need. Leno earned his J.D. from the Syracuse University College of Law and his B.S. from the Rochester Institute of Technology.

Peter Siavelis focuses his practice on U.S. and foreign patent and trademark litigation, counseling and portfolio development. He represents clients in wide variety of technical fields and plays a key role in helping clients enforce, acquire and license valuable IP rights. In addition to his enforcement and litigation experience, he represents clients before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in post grant proceedings, including inter partes reviews and reexamination proceedings. Siavelis counsels and prosecutes patent applications in the mechanical and electrical arts, including applications related to sports and fitness equipment, wearable active monitoring technology, commercial and residential ventilation equipment, beverage containers, lighting fixtures, LEDs, computer server hardware and cabinets, infrared, ultrasonic and acoustic sensor assemblies, medical devices and packaging containers, window hardware, plumbing fixtures and hardware, plastic part molding, concrete conduit repair, diesel engine sensors and monitoring, as well as semiconductor fabrication, food processing and commercial printing.

Active in the legal community, Siavelis is a member of various bar and trade associations, including the Intellectual Property Law Association of Chicago and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. He earned his J.D. from the Chicago-Kent School of Law and his B.S. from

Michigan State University.

Matthew Gryzlo advises clients on domestic and international patents, trademarks, copyrights, trade secrets, unfair competition and other related causes. His practices focuses primarily in the areas of litigation, portfolio management and IP acquisition. He has served as trial counsel in federal district courts, federal courts of appeals, the International Trade Commission, and the Patent Trial and Appeal Board. Gryzlo's client base is wide-ranging, including companies in the medical device, telecommunication, semiconductor, software, data networks, artificial intelligence, food and beverage, packaging, precision machinery, consumer products and children's toy industries.

Gryzlo has an active pro bono docket, including for the Family Defense Center in Chicago, is a member of the Knights of Columbus, and has dedicated years of service as a coach, manager, and board member for numerous youth athletic organizations. He earned his J.D., cum laude, from The John Marshall Law School where he was an Editor on the Law Review, and his B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

FisherBroyles Adds Partners in Intellectual Property Practice

FisherBroyles, LLP has added Gregory R. Lunt, John K. Shimmick and Mark A. Thomas as partners in the firm's Intellectual Property Practice Group. Lunt, Shimmick and Thomas are based in the firm's Salt Lake City; Palo Alto, Calif; and Washington, D.C., offices, respectively.

"We are pleased to have Greg, John and Mark join our team of experienced intellectual property attorneys who make up one of the top IP law groups in the nation," said T.J. DoVale, managing partner of the FisherBroyles Intellectual Property Practice Group. "Greg, John and Mark bring to FisherBroyles extensive experience in patent preparation and prosecution, as well as engineering backgrounds that will greatly benefit our clients."

Lunt, Shimmick and Thomas are the latest additions to the firm's growing IP practice, which recently added five other partners to the firm's offices in Atlanta, Denver, Los Angeles and Washington.

"I am excited to join FisherBroyles and its deep bench of IP partners who thrive serving clients through the firm's innovative distributed partnership model," Lunt said.

Shimmick said, "It is a privilege to join the robust team of partners and IP attorneys at FisherBroyles, and I am excited to collaborate with the firm's many IP professional with many years of experience."

Thomas added, "I believe my patent prosecution background is a great match for FisherBroyles' forward-thinking approach to delivering high-level service and value to clients in diverse

industries.”

Lunt focuses on patent preparation and prosecution, specifically in the fields of software, computing, and electrical devices. He has more than a decade of experience assisting clients in strategic patent planning, IP portfolio valuation, infringement opinions, licensing and appeals. Also a member of the FisherBroyles Technology Practice Group, Lunt helps organizations strategically grow and develop their national and international patent portfolios. Specifically, he has served as an IP consultant with a New York City-based startup incubator.

Most recently, Lunt was a shareholder and patent attorney at Workman Nydegger in Salt Lake City. Previously, he worked as a software engineer at Novell, Inc., developing and testing software for application provisioning and database management.

Lunt received his J.D. from Creighton School of Law and his Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering Technology from Brigham Young University.

Shimmick focuses his practice on patent prosecution and counseling. In addition to protecting intellectual property rights, he has experience with investor due diligence and financing. As a patent attorney, Shimmick has worked extensively in the medical device sector as well as other technical fields, including software, optical systems, mechanical devices, laser ablation systems, telemetry, semiconductor manufacturing, and test equipment. Shimmick most recently was a patent attorney at Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati. Previously, he also practiced as a solo attorney and with the firms Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton LLP and Townsend, Townsend & Crew, LLP.

Before entering the legal profession, Shimmick worked for more than a decade in the medical device industry, holding positions in engineering and management, and is the named

inventor on over 30 medical device patents.

Shimmick received his J.D. from Santa Clara University School of Law. He also holds a Master of Science from the University of Texas at Austin and a Bachelor of Science from the University of California, Davis.

Thomas is a member of the FisherBroyles Fintech and Blockchain, Internet & eCommerce, and Technology practice groups, in addition to Intellectual Property. He has more than 20 years of experience in patent application preparation and prosecution, licensing and litigation support. His experience spans a wide array of technologies within the software, digital device, telecommunications, semiconductor device fabrication, electro-mechanical and medical device arts. He has prepared and prosecuted numerous patent applications for AT&T Wireless, SAP SE, Hewlett-Packard, and Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Corp.

Recently, Thomas was assistant general counsel for Intellectual Property and Transactions for TeleTech Holdings, Inc. where he was responsible for the \$1.5 billion public company's intellectual property matters. Previously, he was a patent attorney for US West, Inc., managing patent prosecution and the full range of IP activities for its divisions including Advanced Technologies, Wireless and Information Technologies. He also formerly worked as a senior hardware engineer responsible for the design and integration of key architectural components in multiple mainframe-class computers.

Thomas received his J.D. (cum laude) from The John Marshall Law School and his Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science from Carnegie Mellon University.

Samantha C. Skenandore, Tribal Law Attorney, Joins Quarles & Brady's Real Estate Group

[Quarles & Brady LLP](#) announced that Samantha C. Skenandore has joined the firm's Real Estate Practice Group, as of Counsel, Tribal Law in its Madison office.

In a release, the firm said Skenandore focuses her practice on both federal Indian law and tribal law, advising tribal and corporate clients in tribal governance, governmental affairs, corporate transactions, real estate, labor issues and litigation. Her multijurisdictional experience with tribal law includes representation of corporate entities, both tribal and nontribal, in matters involving financing, minority or women-owned certification, labor relations, complex commercial real estate matters and government relations. Her experience extends to successfully representing clients before members of Congress, congressional committees and agencies through federal lobbying services. Skenandore, also a member of the Arizona Bar, will split her time between the Madison and Tucson offices.

"Samantha's extensive knowledge and experience will be a real asset for Quarles & Brady and the clients we serve," said Kevin Delorey, national chair of the Real Estate Practice Group. "She is a great addition to our practice and we are excited to have her join our team."

A member of the Ho-Chunk Nation, Skenandore previously served as a Tribal Attorney for the Ho-Chunk Nation Department of

Justice, where she presided more than 150 employment grievances as chair of the administrative grievance review board, secured tribal land acquisitions and fee to trust conversions. Additionally, she clerked for the United States Department of Justice, Indian Resources Section and for the State of Colorado Division of Administrative Hearings in Denver, Colorado.

Skenandore earned her law degree from the University of Denver Sturm College of Law and her bachelor's degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Five Litigators Join Bradley's Charlotte Office

Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP announced that partners Robert R. Marcus, C. Bailey King Jr., and J. Douglas Grimes, and associates Timothy P. Lendino and Bridget V. Warren have joined the firm's Charlotte office.

All five attorneys join Bradley from Smith Moore Leatherwood LLP, where Marcus was the partner in charge of that firm's Charlotte office and King led the office's litigation practice.

"We are excited to have these five accomplished litigators join Bradley's Charlotte office," said Bradley Charlotte Office Managing Partner Christopher C. Lam. "This team of attorneys has extensive experience and a track record of

success handling diverse and complex litigation cases in state and federal courts in North Carolina and other jurisdictions, including specifically the North Carolina Business Court. They have also demonstrated leadership in the profession and community and exemplify the best of what our firm values.”

“We welcome this skilled group of attorneys and know they will be an asset to Bradley’s nationally recognized litigation team. We are pleased that our Charlotte office continues to grow as part of the firm’s strategic expansion plan,” said Brian O’Dell, Bradley’s Litigation Practice Group leader.

In a release, the firm said Marcus has more than two decades of trial experience involving high-stakes, complex business disputes in state and federal courts in North Carolina and in the North Carolina Business Court. His cases have involved intellectual property, securities and financial disputes, insurance coverage matters, contract enforcement, and class actions and personal injury claims. Formerly the partner in charge of Smith Moore Leatherwood’s Charlotte office and chairman of the firm’s Management Committee, Marcus also frequently speaks and writes about business litigation issues.

Marcus received his J.D. with honors from Duke University School of Law and his Bachelor of Arts (cum laude) from Hamilton College.

Formerly the leader of Smith Moore Leatherwood’s Charlotte litigation practice, King represents businesses in matters that include trade secret misappropriation and intellectual property infringement disputes, securities and investment fraud claims, and other contractual and commercial disputes. He has litigated and tried complex bet-the-company cases and other matters in state and federal courts in North Carolina and other states. He also has handled significant matters in the North Carolina Business Court. King is the immediate past chair of the North Carolina Bar Association’s Antitrust and Complex Business Disputes Section.

King received his J.D. from the University of North Carolina School of Law and his Bachelor of Arts (summa cum laude) from Wofford College.

Grimes has 14 years of experience trying and litigating complex civil disputes. He focuses his litigation practice on intellectual property matters involving trademarks, copyrights, and trade secrets. He also litigates commercial matters, business torts and a variety of other civil disputes, including products liability, construction and personal injury claims. Grimes has tried bet-the-company and other high-stakes lawsuits in federal and state courts, including the North Carolina Business Court.

Grimes received his J.D. from Campbell University School of Law and his Bachelor of Science from the University of North Carolina at Wilmington.

Lendino represents clients in disputes involving contracts, business torts, LLCs and partnerships, unfair competition, securities, trade secrets, and class actions. He also represents life insurers and financial institutions in a wide array of matters, and has significant experience litigating before the North Carolina Business Court. He previously served as a clerk for the Honorable John R. Jolly, Jr. in the North Carolina Business Court.

Lendino received his J.D. (cum laude) from Campbell University School of Law, where he was an Editorial Board member of the Campbell Law Review, and his Bachelor of Arts from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Warren concentrates on commercial litigation in areas that include intellectual property, commercial contracts, securities, and employment. She practices primarily in federal courts and the North Carolina Business Court. She also is active in pro bono activities, which include her volunteer work for Lawyer on the Line and the Council for Children's

Rights.

Warren received her J.D. with honors from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and her Bachelor of Arts from Emory University.

Loren Hulse Joins Holland & Hart's Salt Lake City Office

[Holland & Hart](#) announced the addition of patent and trademark partner Loren R. Hulse to the firm's Salt Lake City office in the firm's Intellectual Property practice.

"Utah's life sciences industry is one of the fastest growing markets in the U.S., with highly-successful innovations in genomics, pharmaceuticals, and medical device manufacturing by local technology companies," said James Barnett, administrative partner of the firm's Salt Lake City office. "Loren brings knowledge instrumental to assist companies in Utah and beyond with strategic IP advice essential to drive positive impacts to the state's economy."

Hulse has experience as former in-house intellectual property counsel for NPS Pharmaceuticals and as patent counsel for Ceramatec, Inc., the firm said.

"Loren is a strong addition to our highly-skilled, innovative patent team," said Dan Glivar, the firm's Intellectual Property practice group leader. "His experience in the life sciences industries and strength in chemical patents aligns

with our firm's goals to continue expanding service offerings in these rapidly-evolving areas."

Prior to joining Holland & Hart, Hulse was a partner at Stoel Rives, where he served as the co-leader of the firm's Life Sciences industry group.

Hogan Lovells Enters Association with Saudi Arabia's ZS&R Law Firm

Law firm Hogan Lovells has entered into an association with Riyadh, Saudi Arabia-based ZS&R Law Firm. The firms will work together to provide legal advice to their national and international clients, the firms said in a release.

Riyadh-based ZS&R Law Firm was founded in 2017 by Dr. Najem Alzaid, Saad Alrashed and Turki Alsheikh. The three founding partners have backgrounds with international legal experience, multilingual capabilities, and are experienced in advising on national and cross-border transactions. ZS&R works in practice areas including projects, dispute resolution, banking and finance, capital markets and corporate and M&A.

Under the terms of the agreement, ZS&R Law Firm will operate in association with Hogan Lovells, and the two firms will work together on client matters while remaining separate legal entities.

“Saudi Arabia is a strategic market for our clients,” explained Miguel Zaldivar, incoming Regional Chief Executive for the Asia Pacific Middle East region. “Partnering with ZS&R Law Firm is part of our commitment to providing clients with a full service solution to their commercial and legal needs. We have had a relationship with the three founding partners of ZS&R Law Firm for some time, and we have viewed what they have achieved professionally with reverence. Together, they have created a truly outstanding legal practice in Riyadh, with a service offering which strongly aligns to the needs our clients.”

Alzaid, one of the founding partners of ZS&R Law Firm said, “This is an exciting time to be in Saudi Arabia. We will witness the public offering of Saudi Aramco and other privatisations, the fruition of key strategic plans such as Saudi Vision 2030 and the National Transformation Program, and we expect a new wave of foreign investment. We are pleased to work alongside Hogan Lovells supporting clients investing in the Kingdom as well as help our Saudi clients achieve their international ambitions.”

Steve Immelt, CEO of Hogan Lovells, added: “The association with ZS&R Law Firm is an important milestone which allows us to expand our ability to help clients in an important jurisdiction. Together with ZS&R we can provide clients with deep sector experience and knowledge in the Kingdom and across the wider Middle East. Most importantly, ZS&R’s client service ethos, and the principles by which they conduct business, align with our approach to the market.”

Energy Attorney Christopher J. Townsend Joins Freeborn

Christopher J. Townsend has joined [Freeborn & Peters LLP](#)'s Chicago office as a partner and co-leader of the firm's Environment and Energy Practice Group.

"This is the exact right time for Chris to be joining the firm," said Philip L. Comella, a Freeborn Partner and Co-Leader of the Environment and Energy Practice Group. "Environmental and Energy law and policy continue to converge at an increasing pace, with clients looking for creative but practical ways to address emerging technologies, shifting energy markets, and constantly evolving laws and regulations. I look forward to collaborating with Chris to lead our team helping a wide variety of clients address environmental and energy issues. Chris is a nationally-ranked leader in Energy law, and our clients will greatly benefit from his insights and experience in developing innovative solutions, particularly related to complex infrastructure projects and multi-faceted administrative proceedings."

In a release, the firm said Townsend has more than two decades of experience representing forward-thinking energy market participants, both individually and in coalitions, develop, defend and improve the structures for effective and efficient competition in the energy markets. He regularly provides energy advice to entities other than the local utilities, including large industrial, institutional and commercial energy users; municipalities; and other governmental entities. He also assists alternative electricity and natural gas suppliers in developing the structures for energy markets. In addition, he represents energy project developers on complicated and cutting-edge projects and assists other large-scale energy industry participants.

“We are thrilled to welcome Chris to the firm,” said Freeborn Co-Managing Partner Michael J. Kelly. “His award-winning commitment to client service and continuous focus on positioning clients for the next wave of changes in the energy world is a great fit with our firm’s culture.”

The firm said Townsend has been involved in a wide variety of regulatory proceedings before the Illinois Commerce Commission and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, as well as in numerous legislative efforts before the Illinois General Assembly, with an emphasis on matters related to bringing additional efficiencies to the energy industries. He also has served as counsel to several consortia composed of large industrial, institutional, governmental and commercial electricity consumers; retail energy suppliers; a public water district; and a small privately owned water company. Globally, he has worked with the U.S. State Department and counseled the government of Iraq on multi-billion-dollar energy and infrastructure projects.

Townsend previously was a partner at DLA Piper and most recently was a member of the Environment, Energy & Natural Resources Practice Group at Clark Hill PLC in Chicago. He has been consistently ranked by Chambers, receiving its top rank in the area of Illinois Energy & Natural Resources law earlier this year. He also is a three-time winner of the exclusive Lexology Client Choice Award for Energy & Natural Resources in Illinois.

Townsend received his J.D. from the University of Iowa College of Law (with honors) and his Bachelor of Arts (cum laude) from Augustana College.

Former Alaska Governor Sean Parnell Joins Holland & Hart's Anchorage Office

[Holland & Hart](#) announced the addition of Sean Parnell, former governor of Alaska, to the firm's Anchorage office.

In a release, the firm said Parnell's public service career includes serving from 2009-2014 as Alaska's governor. Parnell also served as lieutenant governor and is a former Alaska state senator and representative. As an attorney, Parnell's decades-long experience in commercial transactions, natural resources, and litigation was developed in private practice, as in-house counsel, as director of state government relations for a major oil company, and in government service.

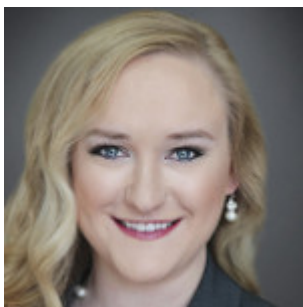
At Holland & Hart, Parnell will work with business clients, as well as new clients in energy and infrastructure development, the firm said.

"The extensive connections and relationships Sean has fostered at state, federal, and Western regional levels make Sean a valuable resource for clients undertaking infrastructure or natural resource exploration and development. Sean provides the firm's energy and natural resources clients with a unique combination of experience as a former government leader, legislator, administrator, and legal advisor," said Kyle Parker, administrative partner of the firm's Anchorage office.

"Sean is a strong addition to our highly-regarded energy industry team," said Liz Sharrer, chair of Holland & Hart. "His many years of leadership in public service and his commitment to economic development align with our firm's goal

to continue expanding service and support of Alaska-based clients.”

Orsinger, Nelson, Downing & Anderson Adds Attorney Taylor Mohr



Boutique family law firm [Orsinger, Nelson, Downing & Anderson, LLP](#), has added Taylor Mohr as an associate in the firm’s Frisco, Texas, office.

“Taylor is smart, talented, and dedicated,” said partner Jeff Anderson, who manages the Frisco office. “When we met Taylor, we knew we found the right person and the right fit for our clients.”

In a release, the firm said Mohr joins the firm with experience in complex family law matters involving divorces, modifications, enforcements and child custody matters as well as a background in estate planning and elder law.

“I’m looking forward to working with this talented group of attorneys,” said Mohr. “Orsinger, Nelson, Downing & Anderson is well-known for its work on complex family law cases, and I’m glad to be part of this team.”

Recognized in Super Lawyers magazine as a Texas Rising Star each of the past two years, Mohr also has earned selection to the National Academy of Family Law Attorneys' Top 10 Under 40 in the Texas listing and the American Institute of Family Law Attorneys' Top 10 Best Female Attorneys. She is a graduate of Baylor Law School and earned an undergraduate degree in history from Baylor University.