

Attorneys of Portland-Based Ater Wynne to Merge Practice with Buchalter

Buchalter announced that Ater Wynne, a full-service business law firm based in Portland, Oregon, will merge its practice into Buchalter.

In a release, Buchalter said adding Ater Wynne's 22 attorneys in Portland, which is set to occur on Oct. 1, 2019, will bring Buchalter to approximately 300 attorneys in nine locations including Los Angeles, Napa Valley, Orange County, Sacramento, San Diego, San Francisco, Scottsdale and Seattle. This is Buchalter's second office in the Pacific Northwest following the opening of an office in Seattle less than two years ago. Buchalter's Seattle office, led by Jeffrey G. Frank, has grown to 12 attorneys and recently relocated to the premier US Bank Centre in downtown Seattle.

Ater Wynne managing partner Todd A. Mitchell will become managing shareholder of the Portland office and a member of the firm's board of directors. He will also spend time in the Seattle office. Half of the attorneys in Portland are licensed to practice in the State of Washington.

Other Ater Wynne Partners joining Buchalter as shareholders are Ernest Bootsma, L. David Connell, Akana J. Ma, Michael (Sam) J. Sandmire, Michael W. Shackelford, Gregory E. Struxness, Andrea Bartoloni, Nena Cook, Frank X. Curci, Thomas M. Karnes, Daniel P. Larsen, and John C. Ramig.

Additional Ater Wynne attorneys joining Buchalter include Jonathan Ater (partner emeritus), Steven K. Blackhurst (special counsel), Claudia K. Powers (special counsel), John M. Schultz (senior counsel), Kirk W. Smith (senior counsel), Alexandra Shulman (of counsel) and associates Robyn Bishop,

Daniel Lis, and Amy Opoien.