## Eversheds Sutherland Attracts Elite Intellectual Property Partner Jeff Guise, Continuing Firm's West Coast Growth

Eversheds Sutherland is pleased to announce that Jeffrey W. Guise has joined the Intellectual Property (IP) Practice Group as a partner, resident in the San Diego office, further strengthening the firm's IP Biotechnology and Life Sciences team in both the patent prosecution and patent litigation areas.

Dr. Guise brings nearly 30 years of extensive experience to the firm, and while resident on the West Coast, serves a client base that is multinational, including clients based in Europe and throughout the US. Previously, Dr. Guise practiced for 17 years at Wilson Sonsini.

Dr. Guise joins the firm's growing IP team in San Diego, as well as a growing global IP team with more than 150 dedicated IP lawyers spread across Africa, Asia, Europe, Russia, the UAE and the US. His arrival signals another significant milestone in Eversheds Sutherland's strategic plan to have an unparalleled global IP practice.

Dr. Guise, a Ph.D. with a degree in molecular biology and immunology, helps start-up and middle-market pharmaceutical, biotech and medical technology companies build, enforce, and monetize their patent portfolios. He also provides IP consulting and litigation services. Global IP strategies he constructs with clients include areas such as patent portfolios, patent opinions, patent licensing, patent litigation, patent office contested proceedings, and corporate work including finance, M&A and joint venture matters.

Specific global industries include biotechnology, pharmaceutical, immunology, medical diagnostics, genetic engineering, agricultural biotechnology and genomics.

Dr. Guise is the 11th IP focused lawyer to join the San Diego office and is the latest step in Eversheds Sutherland's strategic plan to globally expand the IP Practice Group.