

Eversheds Sutherland Opens Chicago Office

Eversheds Sutherland announced the opening of a Chicago office, the first new US office since the combination of Eversheds and Sutherland Asbill & Brennan in February 2017. Chicago marks the first Midwest presence for Eversheds Sutherland. Eversheds Sutherland now has 68 offices in 34 jurisdictions.

The Chicago office, which is set to be housed at 900 North Michigan Avenue, will be led by Marc A. Benjamin, a veteran real estate lawyer who will join from White & Case at the beginning of June; Susan V. Kai, a real estate lawyer who will join from Kirkland & Ellis later in June; and litigator Robert D. Owen, a partner with Eversheds Sutherland who is relocating from New York.

The firm said the Chicago opening comes shortly after Eversheds Sutherland reported global revenue of \$1.175 billion for 2018 – a 10 percent increase over the previous year.

In a release, the firm said the office initially will concentrate on real estate, M&A and litigation work while targeting key sectors including diversified industrials, technology, media and telecommunications, financial institutions and energy.