

# Perkins Coie Appoints Michael Wise as Managing Partner of Shanghai Office

SEATTLE and SHANGHAI (May 5, 2022)—Perkins Coie is pleased to announce that Michael Wise has been appointed to managing partner of the firm's Shanghai office. Michael is the chair of the firm's Life Sciences & Healthcare industry group, as well as a patent litigator and portfolio management counselor.

"Michael's deep knowledge and experience of China will continue to be of high value to our international clients and we know that Michael will be an inspiring and collaborative leader for our busy Shanghai office," said Bill Malley, Perkins Coie's firmwide managing partner. "Michael's insights and understanding of China also stem from him having led the opening of our Shanghai office in 2006 and previously serving as the managing partner of both our Beijing and Shanghai offices."

Michael's practice focuses on patent portfolio management and contested patent matters in the life sciences industry. He has more than 30 years of patent counseling, procurement, and litigation experience handling district court patent litigation, inter partes review, and interference matters before the U.S. Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB). He also regularly advises academic institutions, research institutions, emerging companies, privately held companies, and publicly traded companies on protecting and enforcing their intellectual property rights.

"I'm energized by the opportunity to return to Shanghai to lead the firm's office in one of the world's preeminent centers for business, finance, science and technology, manufacturing, and academic research," said Michael. "Our

Shanghai office serves both multinational and Chinese clients, and we continue to see strong demand across a range of practice areas, including intellectual property matters, international trade, and cross-border transactions.”

In addition to his legal practice, Michael has been an active member of the Southern California Biomedical Council (SoCalBio), where he served as the chair of the annual SoCalBio Investor Conference and is the secretary of the board of directors. He further served on several national firm committees, including the Strategic Diversity Committee.

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