Sidley Continues Expansion in Dallas With Addition of Patent Trial Partners Aimee Fagan and Phillip Aurentz

Dallas — Sidley Austin LLP is pleased to announce that Aimee Fagan and Phillip Aurentz have joined the firm as partners in the Dallas office. Ms. Fagan and Mr. Aurentz will be members of the global Intellectual Property (IP) Litigation practice. Both Ms. Fagan and Mr. Aurentz join Sidley from McKool Smith.

Fagan is a sought-after patent litigator and first chair trial lawyer recognized for her keen ability to align her client's business goals with litigation strategy right at the outset. She has a formidable track record of wins obtained on behalf of her clients, including jury trials, arbitrations, and pretrial successes. She regularly advises clients, particularly those in the energy industry, on complex patent litigation and commercial litigation matters, including business disputes, misappropriation of trade secrets, breach of contract, securities investigations, and lawsuits, among other concerns. Over the course of her career, Fagan has gained extensive experience in the busy patent docket of the Eastern District of Texas, in addition to the state and federal courts in Dallas, Austin, Houston, and outside of Texas.

Aurentz is an experienced patent litigator and trial lawyer representing companies as both plaintiffs and defendants across various technologies ranging from digital content transmission technology to down-hole oil field tools and hydraulic fracturing. He has tried multiple cases that have resulted in millions in damages or take nothing verdicts depending on which side of the aisle his client is situated. He has also argued successfully at the Federal Circuit.

The addition of Fagan and Aurentz follows the firm's recent hires of Eric Winwood to the Tax, Employee Benefits and Executive Compensation practice and Bart Biggers to the Aviation practice, who have joined the Dallas office within the last three months.