

# Venable Promotes 18 Associates to Counsel

Venable LLP announced today that it has promoted 18 attorneys to counsel effective June 1, 2020. The new counsels, from Venable's Baltimore, Los Angeles, New York, Towson, Tysons, and Washington, DC offices, represent a broad cross section from the firm's four divisions—Business, Government, Intellectual Property, and Litigation.

Stu Ingis, chairman of Venable, said, "We are excited to promote these attorneys to counsel. Each continues to progress and advance in their careers by delivering excellent legal work, developing professionally, and upholding the firm's values. In these challenging times, developing and promoting our attorneys remains a core area of focus at Venable."

The following attorneys were promoted to counsel.

## Baltimore, Md., Office

Nick Collevocchio assists clients in a broad range of corporate and commercial matters, with a particular focus on complex mergers and acquisitions, debt financings, equity investments, and commercial contracts.

Gabe Steele represents public and private companies, including many REITs, in connection with securities law matters, major strategic transactions, corporate governance, capital markets transactions, and private financings.

## Los Angeles Office

Witt Chang litigates a wide range of commercial disputes, primarily on behalf of businesses engaged in traditional and burgeoning Los Angeles industries, including new media and entertainment, advertising and marketing, hospitality, and

real estate.

Ken Kronstadt helps clients resolve complex commercial, insurance recovery, media and entertainment, and intellectual property disputes.

New York City Office

Rob Bugg brings experience in a broad range of intellectual property disputes, with an emphasis on complex patent litigation and post-grant proceedings before the United States Patent and Trademark Office's (USPTO) Patent Trials and Appeals Board.

Josh Calabro litigates patent infringement and trade secret misappropriation cases and represents clients in proceedings before the USPTO, including both interference and inter partes review proceedings.

Shannon Clark focuses her practice on patent litigation, contested proceedings before the U.S. Patent Office, and pre-lawsuit investigations, involving pharmaceuticals and biotechnology.

Whitney Meier focuses on complex patent litigation and contested proceedings before the USPTO, with an emphasis on pharmaceuticals and biotechnology.

Evan Minsberg counsels payments companies, lenders, lead generators, fintech platforms, and other financial services providers on product development, regulatory, and transactional issues.

Jonathan Sharret assists clients in complex intellectual property disputes, including patent and trade secret litigation and inter partes review, with a focus on electrical engineering and computer science technologies.

Towson, Md., Office

Adam Rosenblatt represents local, regional, and national clients in analyzing and complying with land use regulations primarily related to real estate development.

#### Tysons, Va., Office

Taylor Chapman represents clients in a wide array of complex commercial litigation, including claims involving employee mobility, teaming and subcontract agreements, misappropriation of trade secrets, real estate contracts, trust and estate disputes, business torts, false advertising, and shareholder derivative claims.

#### Washington Office

Jackie DiRamio focuses on patent prosecution and counseling, and due diligence analysis, including freedom-to-operate and infringement studies, and patent licensing and transactions. Her work involves a variety of scientific areas, including the mechanical, electrical, biological, and chemical arts, as well as medical devices and consumer goods.

Paul Feinstein assists clients on a variety of antitrust issues, including government investigations, pre-merger notifications, civil litigation, and strategic counseling.

Anna Katherine (A.K.) Moody advises individuals and families on all aspects of estate planning, including estate administration and multigenerational wealth transfer strategies.

Daniel Straga counsels publicly and privately held companies on a wide variety of corporate and business matters, with a particular focus on cross-border acquisitions, divestitures, internal reorganizations, venture capital transactions, and investment fund formations

Ryan Sweigard focuses on technology transactions, intellectual property, and commercial contracts, including licensing, cloud

computing and software as a service (SaaS), strategic alliance, joint venture, strategic sourcing, new product development, and other complex commercial transactions. Ryan is admitted to the bar in MD and VA. He is practicing in DC under the supervision of Venable partners admitted in DC.

Ryan Ward brings a wide variety of technical knowledge and experience to his patent prosecution, right-to-use, and infringement analyses. He works primarily in the software, Internet, medical device, telecommunications, and fintech fields.

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