Leading Design Professionals Attorney Mitchell Milby Joins Wilson Elser's Dallas Office

Leading Texas-based design professionals attorney **Mitchell S. Milby** has joined Wilson Elser's Dallas office as a partner.

In a release, the firm said the founder and sole shareholder of his former firm, Milby PLLC in Dallas, Milby says he has moved his practice to **Wilson Elser** because of its national, full-service platform and its high-caliber lawyers.

The release continues:

An accomplished trial attorney with more than 100 cases reaching verdict over his 21-year legal career, Milby focuses his practice on representing design professionals, primarily contractors, architects and engineers, as outside general counsel on matters that involve professional liability, corporate governance and all aspects of contracts and deal-making. He has represented numerous tier-one insurers, professional associations and major corporations across Texas and in other venues, including Florida, Oklahoma and California.

"We are fortunate to have such an accomplished, well-respected attorney join our ranks," shared Stratton Horres, regional managing partner of Wilson Elser's Dallas office and the partner in charge of lateral acquisitions. "Mitch adds depth to our growing Architects & Engineers Professional Liability practice throughout the state of Texas and nationwide. He is a tremendous asset to our firm and to our clients.";

To stay closely aligned with the business sectors he serves, Milby is active in industry organizations; he serves as an

advisory board member for the American Institute of Architects (AIA) and conducts continuing education courses designed for architects and engineers for organizations such as the AIA, the Texas Society of Professional Engineers, the University of Texas at Arlington Engineering Graduate Program, Texas Association of Paralegals and various bar associations. He also is an ongoing visiting instructor for the Department of Civil Engineering at the University of Texas at Arlington, Construction Management.

Additionally, Milby's opinions have been published in the AIA magazine columns, the *Dallas Business Journal*, *Texas Bar Journal*, and *Texas Lawyer*. He also serves on the editorial board of the *Journal of American Law*.

Among his many accolades is his AV® Preeminent™ Rating by Martindale-Hubbell, selection for inclusion as a Texas Top Rated Lawyer, and achieving Professional Affiliate of the Year and Sustaining Partner status with the Dallas chapter of the AIA.

Milby graduated *with honors* with his J.D. degree from Lewis & Clark Law School (1994), where he also earned his certification in Environmental and Natural Resources Law. He graduated *cum laude* from Vanderbilt University with his B.A. degree (1991).

With an intense desire to win inside and out of the courtroom, Milby has finished one Ironman Triathlon and several marathons, and holds a number of awards for running races in Texas and Oregon.

Since January 1, 2015, Wilson Elser has opened its 27th U.S. office in Edwardsville, IL, and added 11 new partners nationally across practice areas including Bankruptcy, Commercial Services, Employment & Labor, and Insurance-Reinsurance Coverage. Lawrence Waks, a premier Texas-based intellectual property/entertainment attorney, joined the

Dallas office in March.