

Winston & Strawn Adds More Than 40 Howrey IP and Commercial Litigation Attorneys, Establishes Houston Office

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CHICAGO, IL — Winston & Strawn LLP announced today that it is being joined by more than 40 Howrey intellectual property and commercial litigation attorneys whose groups complement Winston's own global IP and litigation practices.

A sizeable percentage of the new partners expected to join Winston are currently resident in the Houston office of the former Howrey law firm, a number of whom had practiced with Arnold, White & Durkee before its merger with Howrey in 2000. Adding a Houston presence will raise Winston's total number of offices to 15.

"We are delighted to welcome these Howrey colleagues and practices to Winston," said Dan K. Webb, the firm's chairman. "The synergies for our existing IP and litigation practices are outstanding."

"We saw this opportunity as being a particularly attractive fit for Howrey's IP and civil litigators in Houston because of Winston's already strong presence in key industries such as pharmaceuticals and financial institutions," said Stephen H. Cagle, the office managing partner in the Houston office.

Added Winston's firm-wide managing partner Tom Fitzgerald: "The addition of this great Howrey team is another step in carrying out Winston's firm-wide strategic business plan. We will continue growing practices that meet client needs and expectations and provide synergies with our existing platform."

Since 2008, Winston has opportunistically established a significant presence in such growing markets as Beijing, Charlotte, Hong Kong, and Shanghai. Meanwhile, it has hired a number of veteran corporate and litigation partners from other law firms for its various offices, including those in Chicago, Washington, D.C., Los Angeles, New York, and San Francisco. Most recently, the firm added prominent IP litigators Richard Price and Gareth Morgan to its London office and Michael Murray to its New York office.

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