



BANNER & WITCOFF, LTD.
INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW

TEN SOUTH WACKER DRIVE, SUITE 3000
CHICAGO, IL 60606-7407
TEL: 312.715.1000
FAX: 312.715.1234

1001 G STREET, NW
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20001-4597
TEL: 202.508.9100
FAX: 202.508.9299

28 STATE STREET – 28TH FLOOR
BOSTON, MA 02109
TEL: 617.227.7111
FAX: 617.227.4399

601 SW SECOND AVENUE, SUITE 1900
PORTLAND, OR 97204
TEL: 503.279.6300
FAX: 503.279.6328

Banner & Witcoff Names Shareholders

January 23, 2002 -- The intellectual property firm of Banner & Witcoff, Ltd. has elected the following shareholders of the firm:

Banner & Witcoff's Chicago office:

Scott A. Burow has been elected a shareholder of the firm. He has experience in all areas of intellectual property law with a balanced involvement in patent, trademark and copyright procurement and enforcement.

Janice V. Mitrius has been elected a shareholder of the firm. Her focus is on combining skills in procurement, commercialization, and enforcement of patents, copyrights, and trademarks and related issues.

Banner & Witcoff's Washington, DC office:

Susan A. Wolfe has been elected a principal shareholder of the firm. She concentrates her practice in the preparation and prosecution of both U.S. and foreign patent applications with an emphasis on chemical and pharmaceutical technologies.

Lisa M. Hemmendinger, Ph.D. has been elected a shareholder of the firm. Dr. Hemmendinger focuses her practice in the field of biotechnology, including recombinant DNA technology, diagnostic and therapeutic methods, and pharmaceutical compounds.

Ajay S. Pathak has been elected a shareholder of the firm. He has substantial experience in the preparation and prosecution of patent applications in the chemical and biotechnological arts for domestic and foreign clients.

Banner & Witcoff's Boston office:

Gregory J. Cohan has been elected a shareholder of the firm. He is experienced in many aspects of patent, trademark and copyright law, with a focus on patent prosecution in a number of technologies including automotive windows, transmissions and suspensions, compressors, heat exchangers, electrical connectors, medical equipment, and sporting and fitness equipment.

Banner & Witcoff's Portland, OR office:

Thomas L Evans has been elected a shareholder of the firm. He has significant experience in the prosecution of U.S. patent applications, including the successful briefing and argument of two appeals before the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, and the prosecution of reissue applications.

##

Banner & Witcoff, Ltd. is dedicated to excellence in the specialized practice of intellectual property law, including patent, trademark, copyright, trade secret, computer, franchise and unfair competition law. The firm actively engages in the procurement, enforcement and litigation of intellectual property rights throughout the world, including all federal and state agencies, and the distribution of such rights through licensing and franchising. The firm has 80+ attorneys and agents in its Chicago, Washington, D.C., Boston and Portland, OR offices.