





Banner Witcoff Elects Five New Shareholders in Chicago and D.C. Offices

January 29, 2024 – Banner Witcoff announces the election of five new shareholders, effective immediately. The new shareholders span the firm's Chicago and Washington, D.C. offices, devoted to protecting their client's intellectual property and propelling businesses forward.

"We are proud to welcome these talented attorneys into the shareholder position, said Janice Mitrius, Banner Witcoff's president. "The attorneys elected today have all shown a deep level of respect and commitment to our clients and the firm."

The new class of shareholders includes:

Mercedes Meyer, Ph.D., Principal Shareholder, Washington, D.C.

Mercedes represents leading life science and technology companies maintaining an extensive biotechnology and pharmaceutical patent management, prosecution, opinion and due diligence practice.

Paul Qualey, Principal Shareholder, Washington, D.C.

Paul has more than 20 years of experience in intellectual property law with a particular emphasis on patent litigation in the federal courts, at the International Trade Commission, and in inter partes reviews before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board.

Jake Webb, Principal Shareholder, Chicago

Jake focuses his practice in a variety of intellectual property areas, including both patent and trademark litigation and patent prosecution, representing clients in disputes involving consumer and retail products, industrial equipment, apparel, and children’s educational materials.

Reilley Keane, Shareholder, Washington, D.C.

Reilley focuses his practice on a wide variety of intellectual property matters including patent prosecution, client counseling, post-grant proceedings, and patent litigation.

Christian Wolfgram, Shareholder, Chicago

Christian enjoys a diversified practice in intellectual property law. He leverages his practical experience and background in biochemistry to find dynamic, solution-oriented outcomes for his clients while maintaining the highest standards of ethics and professionalism.

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