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Perkins Coie Adds Litigation Partner Eric Evans to Palo Alto Office

PALO ALTO (September 27, 2021)—Perkins Coie is pleased to announce that Eric Evans has joined the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in the Palo Alto office.

Eric focuses his practice on complex litigation and intellectual property matters and has represented major technology companies and other businesses in federal false advertising and antitrust class action cases, as well as trade secret and patent issues. A significant part of Eric's practice has focused on providing effective legal counsel to Bay Area technology firms in the Northern District of California.

"We're thrilled to welcome Eric to our Litigation practice amid ongoing demand from our Bay Area technology clients for insightful and adept legal counsel," said <u>Jessica Everett-Garcia</u>, firmwide chair of Perkins Coie's Litigation practice. "Eric's experience, and particularly his work serving high-tech clients, will enable us to broaden our litigation capabilities for Silicon Valley clients and be very valuable for our clients in Palo Alto and beyond."

Eric has obtained declaratory judgments in district courts, represented global technology and consumer brands in various trademark and patent infringement cases, and managed defenses in high-tech antitrust litigation. Prior to his legal practice, Eric served as the associate director of instructional technology at Denison University, where he worked as a Digital Millennium Copyright Act agent and enforced and revised an acceptable use policy for network resources.

"Eric's strong background as a successful litigation counselor to the technology sector will benefit our clients with respect to litigation strategy, and particularly within the Northern District of California," said Daphne Higgs, Perkins Coie's Palo Alto office managing partner. "Eric is passionate about his practice and his clients and we're excited that an attorney of his caliber and background has joined our Litigation practice and Palo Alto office."

Eric earned his J.D., *magna cum laude*, from the University of Michigan Law School, where he served as contributing editor to the *Michigan Law Review*. He received his A.M. and A.B. from Harvard University. Eric joins the firm from Mayer Brown, where he served as the West Coast co-chair of its Electronic Discovery & Information Governance practice and was a member of the Cybersecurity & Data Privacy practice.

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