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**Seyfarth Shaw Deepens Labor and Employment Department with Addition of Colleen M. Regan as Partner**

Los Angeles, CA (October 29, 2007)—Seyfarth Shaw LLP, one of America's leading full-service law firms, announced today that Colleen M. Regan has joined the firm as a partner in its Labor and Employment Department based in the firm's Los Angeles office. She was previously a partner at McGuire Woods.

Regan advises employers on California and federal wage and hour, antidiscrimination and anti-harassment laws, and she negotiates and drafts employment and severance agreements. Regan also represents employers before administrative agencies and in a wide variety of employment cases in state and federal courts. She has successfully represented employers in cases involving claims of wrongful termination; sexual harassment; and age, gender, race and disability discrimination and retaliation. In addition, Regan has extensive experience defending employers in complex, high-exposure, wage and hour class action lawsuits.

"Colleen is a highly respected employment litigator and counselor, with a wide range of courtroom experiences, including extensive work defending companies in complex wage-hour cases," said Jeremy P. Sherman, Chair of Seyfarth Shaw's Labor and Employment Department. "Her experience in the courtroom informs her counseling practice, allowing her to offer our clients a 'from-the-trenches' perspective to help guide their business planning decisions."

Since 2003, federal court filings of wage and hour collective actions have surpassed employment discrimination class actions, and settlements have reached into the tens of millions of dollars. Having handled over 150 wage and hour class actions in California, Seyfarth Shaw has positioned itself as a leader in the state for the defense of employers in such litigation.

Seyfarth Shaw's team of labor and employment attorneys includes over 300 employment specialists at all levels of experience in the firm's nine U.S. offices, of whom over 100 are employment lawyers in California. The firm's employment attorneys are organized to leverage their knowledge of the key workplace subspecialties, such as employment class actions, wage and hour issues, employee benefits lawsuits, workplace safety matters, and labor-management relations disputes, to name a few. Attorneys are further organized by industry groups, to put them in the best position to understand the firm's clients' needs and optimize their results.

"In addition to her stellar courtroom experience, Colleen is a well-rounded labor and employment attorney with a robust single plaintiff practice and a sophisticated advice and counsel practice," said Kenwood C. Youmans, Managing Partner of Seyfarth Shaw's Los Angeles office. "She adds strength to our thriving labor and employment practice."

Regan is admitted to the state bar of California, the U.S. District Court for the Central, Eastern and Northern Districts of California, and the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. She has conducted numerous client and in-house trainings on sexual harassment, published articles on workplace legal matters in several publications, and has been quoted in the media on matters concerning sexual harassment law in California. Regan is an alumna of St. John's College, Santa Fe, where she earned her B.A. and Loyola Law School where she received her J.D.

"I'm delighted to join Seyfarth Shaw's renown labor and employment legal team," Regan said. "The firm's national platform combined with its solid depth in the field will help me deliver consistent, outstanding results to my clients and I get to draw on the experience and brain trust of the attorneys at one of the nation's preeminent law firms."

Seyfarth Shaw has over 725 attorneys located in nine offices throughout the United States including Chicago, New York, Boston, Washington D.C., Atlanta, Houston, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Sacramento as well as Brussels, Belgium. Seyfarth Shaw provides a broad range of legal services in the areas of labor and employment, employee benefits, litigation and business services. The firm's practice reflects virtually every industry and segment of the country's business and social fabric. Clients include over 200 of the *Fortune* 500 companies, financial institutions, newspapers and other media, hotels, health care organizations, airlines and railroads. The firm also represents a number of federal, state, and local governmental and educational entities. For more information, please visit [www.seyfarth.com](http://www.seyfarth.com).

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