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Seyfarth Shaw Welcomes Michael Zweiback as Partner in the Litigation Department in the Los Angeles Office

Los Angeles, CA (September 23, 2009)—Seyfarth Shaw LLP, one of America's leading full-service law firms, today announced that Michael Zweiback has joined the firm's Los Angeles office. Zweiback joins as a partner in the Securities and Financial Litigation, Intellectual Property and Trade Secrets Practice Groups. Prior to joining Seyfarth Shaw, he was a partner at Alston & Bird LLP.

Zweiback's practice focuses on governmental and corporate investigation, white collar criminal defense, environmental crimes, and privacy and data security matters. Prior to Alston & Bird, he was the chief of the Cyber and Intellectual Property Crimes Section of the U.S. Attorney's Office in Los Angeles. Zweiback spent 17 years as a federal prosecutor before joining the private sector. During his tenure, he was primarily responsible for several high-profile investigations and prosecutions.

"Mike's deep experience in securities, intellectual property, trade secrets and white collar practices in California builds upon the firm's commitment to the continued growth of our litigation department in California," said Michael R. Levinson, Chair of Seyfarth Shaw's Litigation Department. "We are pleased to welcome Mike to our firm and further enhance our senior litigation talent in Los Angeles."

The Litigation Department covers the full spectrum of litigation services including trials and appeals in federal and state courts, in cases involving disputes over: intellectual property; real estate and construction; trade secrets and restrictive covenants; creditor's rights and bankruptcy; product liability and other torts; insurance; white collar and securities; government contracts; antitrust and trade regulation; and other types of complex business litigation.

"On behalf of our Los Angeles offices, we are thrilled that Mike has joined the firm," said Kenwood C. Youmans, Managing Partner of Seyfarth Shaw's Los Angeles office. "He is professionally accomplished and personally engaging. He shares our philosophy of teamwork and, thus, will add positively to our culture and to our efforts at effective and efficient client service. We very much look forward to working with Mike."

Seyfarth Shaw opened its office in Los Angeles in 1973 with two partners from its Chicago office. It has grown both in breadth and depth since then. It now has over 100 lawyers in its offices in Century City and Downtown Los Angles with expertise in business transactions, intellectual property, commercial litigation, employee benefits, international and employment law.

"I am honored to join Seyfarth Shaw in Los Angeles," said Zweiback. "I look forward to working with my colleagues across practice groups and offices to leverage the firm's resources in support of my clients."

Zweiback earned his B.A. from the University of California, Los Angeles and his J.D. from the Loyola Law School in Los Angeles. He is admitted to practice law in California.

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