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Marisa Brutoco Elected to Stanford University Board of Trustees

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Sheppard Mullin is proud to announce that partner Marisa Brutoco was elected to the Stanford University Board of Trustees, a governing body that serves as custodian of the university's endowment and is responsible for appointing a president, administering invested funds, setting the annual budget and determining policies for operation and control of the university. Marisa and three other new board members will begin six-year terms starting on October 1.

A graduate of Stanford University and Stanford Law School and a 2023 recipient of Stanford Associates Governors' Award, Marisa is the Law Fund Chair for Stanford Law School and has served as a member of the Stanford Alumni Association's Board of Directors (operations and nominations committee), the SAA Board liaison to the Stanford Associates Board of Governors, the Stanford Athletic Board (executive and nominations committee), Stanford's LEAD (Lifelong Engagement and Advocacy for Development) Council, the Stanford Law School Board of Visitors, and the co-chair of the Stanford Law School Silicon Valley Law Society. She also has been an interviewer with the university's Knight-Hennessey Scholars program since its inception and has been on numerous Stanford and Stanford Law reunion campaign committees.

Marisa splits her time between Sheppard Mullin's Orange County and Silicon Valley offices and is co-team leader of the Technology Transactions Team. Throughout her legal career, Marisa has worked with some of the world's most innovative technology companies, providing strategic legal, compliance and business advice to clients regarding technology, commercial and intellectual property transactions and product development spanning various industries, including digital media, sports and digital health. She previously served as in-house counsel at Amazon, Google/YouTube, GoPro and Apple, as well as outside counsel at Wilson Sonsini and Davis Wright Tremaine.

Outside of her practice, Marisa dedicates time to pro bono matters as a member of Sheppard Mullin's pro bono committee. She is also a member of the firm's diversity and inclusion working group and is a board member and strategic advisor for ChIPs regional chapter, a nonprofit dedicated to advancing women in IP and technology law and policy.

Every three years, four new trustees are elected through Stanford's alumni nominations process, during which the names of four potential new members are presented to the board for election by the Stanford Alumni Association's Alumni Committee on Trustee Nominations and the board's Committee on Trusteeship. In total, eight seats are reserved for trustees nominated through this process.

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"The Stanford Board of Trustees and the university as a whole are truly fortunate to soon welcome these four new members," said board chair Jerry Yang. "They bring a range of valuable experiences, diverse insight, and thoughtful stewardship for the university."

Click here to read Stanford's press release.

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