

### IP Litigation Partner Scott Miller Joins Sheppard Mullin

#### Firm's Intellectual Property Practice Group Continues Robust Expansion

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Scott R. Miller has joined Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton LLP as a partner in the firm's Intellectual Property practice group, based in the firm's Los Angeles office. Miller joins Sheppard Mullin from Connolly Bove Lodge & Hutz, where he was partner-in-charge of the firm's Los Angeles office and a member of the firm's management committee.

"Scott is an important addition to our IP practice and brings a broad-based IP litigation practice. With a diverse client roster that includes a variety of tech sectors such as telecommunications, data storage technologies, fiber optics, lasers, LCDs and medical products, his practice dovetails well with our IP and tech industry capabilities," said Guy Halgren, chairman of Sheppard Mullin.

"I am excited to join Sheppard Mullin. The strength and growth of the firm's IP group is very impressive. I look forward to continuing to practice with my former partner Bruce Chapman, as well as my new partners in Los Angeles and throughout the firm," Miller commented.

"Scott joins Sheppard Mullin as part of our strategic goal of adding attorneys with thriving practices who are also proven leaders and builders, with the goal of continuing to grow our IP practice. He brings a significant IP practice to our Los Angeles office and further strengthens our litigation capabilities. Miller fits extremely well with the firm's collegial atmosphere that has become Sheppard Mullin's cultural trademark," said Nick Setty, co-chair of Sheppard Mullin's Intellectual Property practice group.

Miller is a skilled trial lawyer, representing clients in litigation and non-litigation intellectual property matters. He has served as first chair in numerous patent, trademark, trade secret and copyright litigations. Miller also has substantial experience in the areas of patent counseling and opinions, due diligence, licensing and buy/sell transactions and patent and trademark prosecution. He has acted as lead IP counsel on hundreds of different transactions for strategic buyers/sellers, private equity and/or venture capital funds. Miller has also handled substantial corporate merger, acquisition and licensing transactions involving all types of intellectual property rights.

Miller received his J.D. from the University of Southern California in 1983 and his B.S., *with distinction*, from University of Nebraska in 1980.

Last week, IP litigation partners Laura Chapman and Brad Graveline joined Sheppard Mullin in the firm's San Francisco and Chicago office respectively. Chapman previously practiced at Foley & Lardner and Graveline joined from Winston & Strawn. Last month, IP litigation partner Bruce Chapman joined Sheppard Mullin in Los Angeles from Connolly Bove Lodge & Hutz.

Sheppard Mullin's Intellectual Property practice group includes 85 attorneys firmwide. The firm has more than 200 attorneys based in its Los Angeles offices.

## Practice Areas

Intellectual Property