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# Crowell & Moring Elects Four New Partners and Promotes Eight Attorneys to Counsel Positions

Washington, D.C. - January 11, 2010: Crowell & Moring LLP is pleased to announce it has elected four attorneys to the firm's partnership effective January 1, 2010. The firm has also promoted eight associates to the position of counsel. The new partners and counsel have been promoted from within the ranks of the firm's Washington, D.C., Orange County, CA., New York, London, and Brussels offices.

"We are proud to recognize these attorneys for their remarkable service to our clients and the firm. They have demonstrated outstanding and sustained commitment to client service, innovation in the practice of law, and contributions to their communities throughout their careers, and we look forward to their continued success," said Kent A. Gardiner, Crowell & Moring chairman.

The new partners are as follows:

- **John L. Cuddihy** is a member of the firm's Litigation Group and a resident in the Washington, D.C. office. He focuses his practice on complex commercial litigation, particularly intellectual property and antitrust disputes, in which he represents both corporate plaintiffs and defendants. Prior to becoming an attorney, Cuddihy worked as a press officer for Ambassador Madeleine K. Albright at the United States Mission to the United Nations in New York, and as a speech writer for Governor James J. Florio of New Jersey.
- **William J. Flanagan** is a member of the firm's Labor & Employment, Corporate and Health Care groups and a resident in the Washington, D.C. office. He advises clients on employee benefits matters and has more than 30 years of experience with the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA). He has represented major insurance companies, Fortune 500 companies, institutional money and investment managers, and employee benefit plans in all areas covered by Title I of ERISA.
- **John E. McCarthy Jr.** is a member of the firm's Government Contracts Group and a resident in the Washington, D.C. office. He focuses his practice in the areas of government contracts and litigation, with a particular emphasis on technology related issues. In addition to his government contracts experience, McCarthy has experience in a broad array of non-government contracts matters including IT outsourcing, insurance coverage, and intellectual property.
- **Baiju S. Vasani** is a member of the firm's International Arbitration practice and a resident in the Washington, D.C. and London offices. He focuses his practice exclusively on international investment and commercial arbitration covering various sectors and industries across the globe. Vasani is also an Adjunct Professor of Law at Georgetown University's Law Center, where he teaches International Arbitration.

Firm associates promoted to counsel are: **Patricia Connally** (Washington, D.C.); **Todd C. Lesko** (Orange County, CA); **Jan-Diederik Lindemans** (Brussels); **Gerald F. Murphy** (Washington, D.C.); **Kristina M. Pisanelli** (Washington, D.C.); **Julia K. Smith** (New York, NY); **Claire Stockford** (London); and **Deborah H. Yellin** (Washington, D.C.).

Crowell & Moring LLP is an international law firm with more than 500 lawyers representing clients in litigation and arbitration, regulatory, and transactional matters. The firm is internationally recognized for its representation of Fortune 500 companies in high-stakes litigation, as well as its ongoing commitment to pro bono service and diversity. The firm has offices in Washington, DC, New York, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Orange County, Anchorage, London, and Brussels.

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