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# SEC Branch Chief Joins Crowell & Moring's New York Office

## White Collar & Securities Litigation Group Expands with Daniel Zelenko

**Washington, D.C. – January 30, 2008:** Crowell & Moring LLP is pleased to announce the addition of partner Daniel L. Zelenko, a recent New York Branch Chief of the Securities and Exchange Commission's (SEC) Division of Enforcement and a former federal prosecutor with the Department of Justice's (DOJ) Antitrust Division. As a member of the firm's White Collar & Securities Litigation and Antitrust groups, Zelenko will reside in the New York office and focus on securities enforcement investigations, white collar defense, corporate internal investigations, and criminal antitrust matters. The addition of Zelenko boosts Crowell & Moring's White Collar & Securities Litigation Group to 33 lawyers in what continues to be a high-profile growth area for the firm.

While at the SEC and DOJ for nine years, Zelenko's experience ranged from serving as lead counsel on several high-profile investigations and enforcement proceedings to serving as a Special Assistant United States Attorney in a successful criminal jury trial involving the manipulation of publicly-traded companies. Zelenko led the government's investigation into the largest ever mutual-to-stock bank conversion scheme involving 65 banks and multiple defendants (*SEC v. Bert Fingerhut, et. al.*). He also managed matters involving subprime mortgage portfolio accounting practices at financial institutions, stock option backdating practices at a Fortune 100 corporation, deceptive mutual fund market timing, and abuses of finite reinsurance products.

"My government career has been incredibly challenging and rewarding, and I have had the good fortune to work with some of the finest attorneys in the field. Now I am eager to harness my experience in order to advise clients and be part of a team that has built a successful practice with colleagues that I both like and respect. It's an exciting time to join the firm," said Zelenko.

In just over two years, the growth of Crowell & Moring's White Collar & Securities Litigation Group has been marked by the addition of several other notable attorneys. Examples include Philip T. Inglima, who served as Senior Associate Independent Counsel in the investigation of Department of the Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt; Thomas A. Hanusik, a former Assistant Chief of DOJ's Criminal Division, Fraud Section and Enron Task Force member; internationally recognized litigator William J. McSherry, Jr.; and former Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of New York Peter R. Ginsberg.

"Dan offers clients the unique perspective of having served at both the SEC and DOJ on the highest profile cases and investigations. He has served as lead prosecutor of grand juries, conducted wide-scale investigations, and supervised attorneys and accountants on enforcement proceedings. He will draw from his experience to serve as a core part of our team, and we're thrilled to have him on board," said Hanusik, co-chair of Crowell & Moring's White Collar & Securities Litigation Group.

As a Trial Attorney in the National Criminal Enforcement Section of the DOJ's Antitrust Division, Zelenko conducted investigations of international corporations and their executives for price fixing, bid rigging, market allocation conspiracies and related federal crimes. He was the lead prosecutor on several grand jury investigations, including the prosecution of an international cartel that provided transportation services to the Department of Defense. Part of Zelenko's practice at Crowell & Moring will focus on advising on international antitrust matters and related criminal investigations.

Zelenko received his J.D., *summa cum laude*, from American University. Upon graduation from law school, he clerked on the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit.

Crowell & Moring LLP's White Collar & Securities Litigation Group has represented corporate and individual clients from across the country and around the world in federal and state cases. The practice spans investigations by grand juries, congressional committees, independent and special counsels, federal agencies, and other investigative officials and bodies, including internal

investigations and probes by special committees of public companies. Crowell & Moring is a full-service law firm with more than 400 lawyers practicing in litigation, antitrust, government contracts, corporate, intellectual property and a variety of other practice areas. More than two-thirds of the firm's attorneys regularly litigate disputes on behalf of domestic and international corporations, start-up businesses, and individuals. Crowell & Moring's extensive client work ranges from advising on one of the world's largest telecommunications mergers to representing governments and corporations on international arbitration matters. Based in Washington, D.C., the firm also has offices in California, New York, London, and Brussels.

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