

Crowell & Moring Nabs Orrick Litigator In San Francisco

By **Xiumei Dong**

Law360 (January 21, 2021, 7:32 AM EST) -- Crowell & Moring LLP has snagged a veteran litigator from Orrick Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP for its San Francisco office as part of the East Coast firm's strategy to expand its litigation and regulatory capabilities in California.

Warrington Parker, who played a key role in helping Oracle dismiss a pay discrimination case by the government, joined Crowell & Moring LLP on Wednesday as a partner in its litigation and white collar and regulatory enforcement groups.



Warrington Parker

"At this point in my life, the practices at Crowell & Moring fit me very well," Parker said in an interview with Law360, saying he was attracted to the firm's white collar, commercial litigation and government contract practices.

Parker added that he looks forward to helping Crowell & Moring "grow and build out the San Francisco office."

Crowell & Moring launched its San Francisco office in 2009 after acquiring a 29-lawyer group from litigation boutique Folger Levin & Kahn LLP. With the firm's offices in Irvine and Los Angeles, Crowell & Moring has about 100 attorneys in California, including 40 partners, the firms said.

According to Crowell & Moring chair Philip Inglima, the "backbone" of the firm's California office has been litigation, including both local and national litigation, and the addition of Parker is in line with the firm's plan to grow that practice.

"In the East, we started more with the regulatory strength and built beyond that, in California, we started more from the litigation side and built towards regulatory, and in each case we've tried to make sure that we're also adding transactional people," Inglima said.

Parker has more than two decades of experience representing clients in high-stakes civil and criminal litigation and investigations. According to the firm, Parker has tried more than 25 cases to verdict, including matters related to securities fraud, money laundering, employment discrimination, copyright and trade secrets,

"Someone with as many trials under his belt in both civil and criminal matters, Warrington is a very great talent and always a welcome addition," Inglima added. "But you can never have too many lawyers who fit the bill of both capable and experienced at bringing the company matters to trial, and Warrington certainly is someone in that category."

At Orrick, Parker also served as co-chair of the firm's diversity committee. As an attorney of color, he said he expects to continue to be involved in diversity initiatives at Crowell & Moring.

Before joining Orrick in 2008, Parker practiced as a partner at the since dissolved Heller Ehrman LLP and at Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan LLP. He received his bachelor's degree from Princeton University and his law degree from Harvard Law School.

--Editing by Adam LoBelia.