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PHARMACEUTICAL LITIGATION PARTNER JAMES STRONSKI JOINS CROWELL & MORING

Washington, D.C. – May 4, 2011: Crowell & Moring LLP is pleased to announce the addition of partner James K. Stronski to the firm's Intellectual Property Group. Based in the New York office, Stronski is an intellectual property litigator with extensive experience handling cases involving the so-called "Hatch-Waxman" Amendments to the Federal Food Drug & Cosmetic Act, as well as patent, trade secret, trademark, copyrights, and unfair competition matters. Stronski will be joined by counsel Chiemi D. Suzuki. They join the firm from Frommer Lawrence & Haug LLP.

"Jim has significant first-chair patent litigation experience, having successfully handled a variety of bench and jury trials. He is the perfect complement to our New York office and our growing pharmaceutical litigation and life sciences practice. Jim's versatility and experience in handling high-stakes matters is a tremendous asset to our clients," said Mark Supko, chair of the firm's Intellectual Property Group.

Stronski has been litigating cases primarily in federal courts nationwide for over 20 years. He focuses his practice on the representation of generic pharmaceutical companies in patent litigation related to "Hatch-Waxman" matters. These particular cases involve challenges to pharmaceutical patents by companies wanting to introduce generic versions of patented drugs. Stronski has first chaired trials, evidentiary preliminary injunction and Markman hearings, and has argued before the Federal Circuit.

With considerable experience in both bench and jury trials, preliminary injunction motions and appellate practice, he has represented clients in a wide range of industries including pharmaceuticals, the internet, consumer products, plastics, high-tech composites, and semiconductor manufacturing equipment. He also has first chaired cases, including through trial, before the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board (TTAB), and advises clients on trademark infringement and clearance issues.

"Crowell & Moring is a premier litigation firm that has built a large, first-class Intellectual Property Group, serving the needs of clients internationally. I am looking forward to being part of the firm and expanding its

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pharmaceutical patent litigation practice. Beyond the strength of Crowell & Moring's practices, I was attracted to the firm because it has been at the forefront in using alternative fee arrangements, or value based billing, that takes a creative 'risk sharing' attitude, utilizing fee arrangements that I believe may better align the firm's interests with our clients," said Stronski.

Stronski received his B.A. from Dartmouth College and his J.D. from Fordham Law School. After graduation from Fordham, Stronski completed a two-year clerkship for the Honorable Shirley W. Kram of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York.

Suzuki, a New York-based counsel in the firm's Intellectual Property Group, focuses her practice on patent litigation, primarily related to pharmaceutical litigation under the Hatch-Waxman Act. Prior to private practice, Suzuki worked in technology transfer at the Office of Industrial Liaison at Mount Sinai School of Medicine. She received her B.A. from Bryn Mawr College, M.A. in Biotechnology from Columbia University, and her J.D. from University of California, Hastings College of Law.

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