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Woodcock Washburn Announces New Policy Committee

Philadelphia - Intellectual property law firm Woodcock Washburn LLP announces that partners Joseph Lucci and Steven Samuels have been elected to the Firm's three-member Policy Committee, effective February 1, 2007. Lucci and Samuels will join senior partner Steven Rocci on the Committee, replacing senior partners Dianne Elderkin and Dale Heist who are stepping down after having served since 2001.

"The Firm's partners felt that it was important that the new committee reflect the makeup of the Firm, while also maintaining continuity. With the committee being composed of one senior, one midlevel and one junior partner, representing the Firm's various legal and technical practice areas, we accomplished these goals," said Rocci.

"Joe, Steve and I are excited to work together on firm management issues, and we look forward to the interesting challenges ahead of us," said Rocci.

Rocci specializes in patent litigation, counseling and procurement for a wide range of clients, including companies in the software, telecommunications, and Internet industries. Rocci has earned recognition in the Chambers USA Guide to America's Leading Business Lawyers and Best Lawyers in America, and as a Pennsylvania Super Lawyer, and is the Distinguished Practice Professor of Intellectual Property at Drexel University College of Law.

Samuels is an electrical engineer by training who represents companies in the fields of electronics, computer hardware and software, digital and analog communications, electrical power transmission and business methods.

Lucci specializes in patent litigation, prosecution, interferences and client counseling, particularly in the areas of pharmaceuticals and medical devices.

About Woodcock Washburn LLP

Woodcock Washburn LLP, with offices in Atlanta, Philadelphia, and Seattle, has built a wealth of experience in patent, trademark and copyright law, litigation and trade secret protection for

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more than 60 years. The Firm's lawyers and scientific advisors service national and international clients, offering their expertise in biotechnology, chemistry, and chemical, electrical and mechanical engineering, and software.

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