

Reed Smith Adds Robert Muha to Firmwide IP Practice

(March 17, 2008, Pittsburgh) – Reed Smith LLP, one of the 15 largest law firms in the world, today announced the addition of Robert A. Muha, Jr., as counsel in its firmwide Intellectual Property Group. Mr. Muha will be resident in the firm’s Pittsburgh office, effective immediately.

Mr. Muha, a registered patent attorney who concentrates in the electrical arts, joined Reed Smith from Pepper Hamilton. He previously practiced with Kirkpatrick & Lockhart Nicholson Graham LLP.

“Bob brings very strong technical credentials and considerable experience in patent prosecution and litigation to our IP team,” said Tracy Quinn, Reed Smith’s firmwide Intellectual Property Practice Group leader. “We’re delighted to welcome him to the Pittsburgh office, and are pleased to add his extensive experience to our capabilities in service of our clients worldwide.”

Mr. Muha’s practice focuses on the acquisition, defense, and enforcement of intellectual property assets. He has prepared and prosecuted a multitude of patent applications for clients in the avionics, computer, communications, electronics, financial, instrumentation, medical, optics, power, robotics, semiconductor, and software industries. Mr. Muha’s practice also includes counseling clients on patentability, validity, infringement and licensing issues; conducting intellectual property audits; and performing due diligence for corporate mergers, acquisitions, and reorganizations.

“I was attracted to Reed Smith because of the tremendous opportunities that it offers to expand my IP practice,” Mr. Muha said. “It is a global law firm that has a great deal of momentum. It has strong relationships with many of the world’s leading companies, and its patent prosecution and litigation practices are experiencing significant strategic growth.”

Mr. Muha earned his Bachelor of Science in the School of Electrical Engineering at Cornell University in 1982. He earned his J.D. at Duquesne University School of Law in 1999. He is admitted to practice before the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania, and the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Reed Smith’s Intellectual Property Group has more than 100 lawyers throughout its 23 offices worldwide. It provides counsel and litigation to clients who range

from those that operate around the globe to entrepreneurs with a single great idea. Among the companies the group represents are major pharmaceutical and medical device companies, software and electronics businesses, academic institutions and their commercial spin-offs, health care organizations, telecommunications, optical technology, chemicals, and e-commerce businesses.