

Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP Elects 20 Attorneys to Partnership; Majority of New Partners are Women for the First Time in Firm's History

Also Introduces Innovative New Partner Category "Flex-Time Partner"

New York, November 27, 2006 – Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP, the international law firm, announced the election of 20 attorneys to the partnership effective January 1, 2007. For the first time in Weil Gotshal's history, a majority of the partnership class consists of women.

Additionally, Weil Gotshal has created a new partnership category, "Flex-Time Partner," which was formed for new partners making a long-term career choice to work on a flexible schedule. Of the eleven women who were elected partner, two work on a flex-time basis. The "Flex-Time Partner" title, however, is available to both women and men entering the partnership.

Stephen J. Dannhauser, Chairman of Weil, said, "There is no greater evidence of the success of Weil's long-standing commitment to diversity and inclusion than our announcement of new partners. Additionally, the creation of our new partner category, "Flex-Time Partner," and the election to partnership of two attorneys working on a flex-time basis is in keeping with our innovative spirit and signifies the importance to our Firm of attracting, retaining and advancing the most talented lawyers."

Earlier this month, Dannhauser was named the YWCA-New York's first Man of the Year and received Legal Momentum's first "Champion of Diversity Award" for his commitment to women's rights and the advancement of women.

Moreover, *Women@Weil*, the Firm's affinity group for women, was applauded and prominently highlighted by Catalyst – a leading research organization that conducts research on all aspects of women's careers – in its 2006 benchmarking report.

Following are the new partners:

- Carrie Anderson – Antitrust/Competition; Washington DC
- David Ball – Patent Litigation; New York
- Jean Beauchataud – M&A/Private Equity; Paris
- Danielle Do – M&A; New York
- Kelly Dybala – Banking & Finance; Dallas
- P. J. Himelfarb – Public Company Advisory Group; Washington DC
- Anita Kadala – Patent Litigation; Houston
- Holly Loiseau – Complex Commercial Litigation; Washington DC
- Courtney Marcus – Banking & Finance; Dallas
- Jacqueline Marcus – BFR; New York
- David Meredith – Capital Markets; Shanghai
- Andrzej Miklas – Global Dispute Resolution; Warsaw
- Michael Nicklin – Finance; London
- Lydia Protopapas – BFR; Houston
- Suat Eng Seah – M&A; Shanghai
- Randi Singer – Intellectual Property/Media; New York
- Jonathan Soler – Private Equity; New York
- Kevin Sullivan – Private Equity; Boston
- Christian Tappeiner – Private Equity; Frankfurt
- Pawel Zdort – M&A/Capital Markets; Warsaw

Weil has also named five attorneys to the position of Counsel:

- Matt Antonelli – Patent Litigation; New York
- Suzy Harbison – Patent Litigation; Houston
- Jeannie Tan – Securitization; London
- Maria Trabucchi – Competition; Paris
- Anthony Wang – Corporate; Silicon Valley

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