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**AVIATION LAWYERS JOIN
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Washington, D.C. -- February 11, 2000 -- We are pleased to announce that Jeffrey A. Manley and Bruce H. Rabinovitz, two leading members of the Washington, D.C. aviation bar, have joined Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering as partners resident in the firm's Washington office. Their extensive experience, including representation of United Airlines, will bring added strength to the firm's international aviation and aerospace practice. With the addition of Messrs. Manley and Rabinovitz, the firm will represent the two founding members of the Star Alliance: Lufthansa German Airlines, a longstanding client of the firm, and United.

Messrs. Manley and Rabinovitz have a practice that includes DOT and FAA regulation of a wide range of airline and airport activities. Their work involves rulemaking, licensing, and contested proceedings, as well as aircraft sale, lease and financing transactions, and airport privatization matters. They provide assistance on a variety of international aviation matters including global airline alliances and intergovernmental agreements affecting airline operations.

Mr. Manley graduated from Harvard College in 1963 and received his LL.B. from Harvard Law School in 1968. Mr. Rabinovitz graduated from Washington University in St. Louis in 1967 and received his J.D. from George Washington University in 1971. Both of them served in government with the Civil Aeronautics Board and were formerly members of the law firms of Ginsburg, Feldman & Bress and Kirkland & Ellis.

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