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**JOHN FLYNN, FORMER VP, DEPUTY GENERAL COUNSEL OF COMMERCE ONE,  
JOINS WILMER, CUTLER & PICKERING**

**July 18, 2003 (Washington, D.C.)** -- Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering is pleased to announce that John Flynn, former Vice President and Deputy General Counsel of Commerce One, Inc., has joined the Firm as counsel, resident in Washington, D.C. Mr. Flynn will be a member of the Communications and Electronic Commerce practice, and will focus on the legal and regulatory challenges for communications companies in the converging telecommunications market.

“John’s arrival adds a new dimension to our already strong capability in helping our communications clients meet the future,” said William T. Lake, co-chair of the Firm’s Communications and Electronic Commerce practice. “John’s experience and understanding of how to solve problems in the telecommunications and e-commerce sectors will benefit our clients tremendously.”

As the second-ranking attorney at Commerce One, a pioneer in software for electronic business transactions, Mr. Flynn managed as many as 35 legal professionals and advised the company on its most important regulatory, litigation and corporate matters. These responsibilities placed Mr. Flynn on the front lines of solving novel intellectual property issues -- including digital copyright, patent, privacy, data rights and web services interoperability standards -- in the fast-moving technology marketplace.

Before joining Commerce One, Mr. Flynn served as General Counsel, Vice President of Government Affairs of rStar Broadband Networks, Inc. (formerly ZapMe! Corporation). In that position, he managed a substantial legal department and advised the company on a broad range of issues, including intellectual property and privacy aspects of electronic commerce. His representation of the company included testifying before the California Senate’s Education Committee. Prior to his employment at rStar, Mr. Flynn was an associate at Munger, Tolles & Olson in San Francisco, where his work included telecommunications regulatory matters and copyright and trademark cases.

Mr. Flynn graduated *magna cum laude* from Georgetown University Law Center in 1995, where he was Senior Notes and Comments Editor of *The Georgetown Law Journal*. Following law school, he clerked for Judge Edward R. Becker of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 3rd Circuit, and then for Justices Byron R. White and John Paul Stevens of the U.S. Supreme Court. He received his AB (*with distinction*) and MA degrees from Stanford University in 1988.

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