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## Experienced Trial Lawyer Joins WilmerHale's Los Angeles Office

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WilmerHale is pleased to announce that [David C. Marcus](#) has joined the firm's Los Angeles office as a partner, bringing more than 20 years of complex litigation and trial experience. He will be a member of the firm's Litigation/Controversy Department and its complex commercial and intellectual property litigation practice groups.

Marcus was most recently a partner in the Los Angeles office of Susman Godfrey LLP. His practice focuses on high-stakes commercial litigation, including matters involving patent infringement, antitrust, securities, breach of contract and fraud claims. In the last nine months, Marcus tried a patent infringement case in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas, which settled after four days of trial, and a five-week breach of contract case in Los Angeles County Superior Court, in which he obtained a multi-million dollar jury verdict for his client. His other recent trials include a monopolization case and a \$2 billion fraud case for a major defense contractor.

From 1994 to 2000, Marcus was an Assistant United States Attorney in the Criminal Division of the US Attorney's Office for the Central District of California. From 1999 to 2000, Marcus served as Executive Assistant US

Attorney, responsible for the day-to-day management of the 240-lawyer office. Before that, Marcus was a member of the Major Frauds Section, where he investigated and tried complex white collar crimes.

Before joining the US Attorney's Office, Marcus served as a prosecutor in the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office, where he tried dozens of cases, and practiced at Skadden, Arps in Los Angeles and New York.

"David's extensive stand-up courtroom experience—representing both plaintiffs and defendants in high-stakes trials, and before that as a federal prosecutor—will be an enormous asset to our litigation and trial practice both nationally and in California," said WilmerHale Co-Managing Partner [William F. Lee](#).

[Randall Lee](#), partner-in-charge of WilmerHale's Los Angeles office, added, "David's first-chair trial experience, together with his government service and leadership experience, will add further depth and strength to our Los Angeles office."

Established in October 2007, WilmerHale's Los Angeles office strengthens and expands the firm's highly respected securities enforcement, securities litigation, white collar defense, intellectual property litigation, and antitrust and competition practices on the West Coast.

The firm's Litigation/Controversy Department has been recognized as one of the best in the nation. *The American Lawyer* named WilmerHale's practice as its "Intellectual Property Litigation Group of the Year" in its most recent contest. The firm had been recognized as having one of the top four IP litigation practices in the magazine's two previous surveys conducted in 2004 and 2006. WilmerHale's litigation practice has received an honorable

mention in each of *The American Lawyer's* highly competitive “Litigation Department of the Year” contests since the competition’s inception in 2002.

“I am delighted to be joining one of the premier litigation practices in the country and to have the opportunity to contribute to the growth and success of the firm’s Los Angeles office,” said Marcus.

Marcus received his BA *summa cum laude* from Colby College and his JD from Yale Law School, where he served as an editor of the *Yale Law Journal*. Following law school, he was a law clerk to the Honorable Mariana R. Pfaelzer, United States District Judge for the Central District of California.