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***Chambers USA 2010 Ranks Woodcock Washburn Top Pennsylvania
IP Firm for Eighth Consecutive Year***

Philadelphia – Woodcock Washburn LLP is pleased to announce that the firm has been recognized for the eighth consecutive year as the top firm for intellectual property in Pennsylvania by legal referral guide *Chambers USA*. Additionally, the following seven partners were recognized as “Leaders in Their Field” for intellectual property: John P. Donohue, Nancy Frandsen, Dale M. Heist, Joseph Lucci, Paul B. Milcetic, Steven J. Rocci, and David J. Wolfsohn.

Chambers had the following to say about Woodcock Washburn:

This firm has almost 90 lawyers spread across its Philadelphia, Atlanta and Seattle offices, all of whom focus exclusively on IP law. Though it lost three partners to Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld recently, the quality of Woodcock Washburn's attorneys and the sophistication of its work means it remains Pennsylvania's preeminent IP firm. The majority of the firm's work concerns patent law, but it also has expertise in trademarks, copyrights and trade secrets. Clients include Johnson & Johnson, Microsoft and Dupont.

Sources Say: “The attorneys are good communicators and excellent businesspeople; everything is done to the highest standard.”

Chambers had the following to say about Woodcock Washburn's Leaders in Their Field:

Dale Heist is “a creative thinker who aligns litigation with business strategy.” He is representing Microsoft in a number of patent infringement cases.

John Donohue handles contentious and noncontentious trademark issues. “He has an awesome reputation and helps drive the practice forward.”

Steven Rocci chairs the firm's policy committee and focuses on patent litigation and counseling. Clients call him “an able commander, even in the most hectic situations.” He defended Illinois Tool Works against claims of trade secret misappropriation, breach of contract and unfair trade practices.

Joseph Lucci has an excellent reputation for patent litigation and prosecution. He has recently advised Janssen, a Johnson & Johnson company, on patent issues.

David Wolfsohn is “an effective negotiator who is great at building a case.” He focuses on trade secret, copyright and trademark litigation.

Nancy Frandsen specializes in trademark and copyright litigation. “She brings both a legal and a business perspective, and is immensely knowledgeable.”



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Patent litigator **Paul Milcetic** is “assertive and confident in the courtroom.” He represented TruePosition in its patent infringement case against Andrew Corporation.

Steve Rocci, chair of Woodcock Washburn’s Policy Committee, said, “We are very pleased to once again receive this singular recognition from *Chambers USA*. And we congratulate the Woodcock partners receiving individual honors. We are delighted that our clients are saying such wonderful things about us and proud to be the top IP firm in the state for eight years running.”

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About Woodcock Washburn LLP

Woodcock Washburn LLP, with offices in Atlanta, Philadelphia, and Seattle, has specialized in intellectual property law since 1946. Rated as one of the top IP law firms in the United States by *IP Law & Business*, the firm was also named the top intellectual property firm in Pennsylvania by *Chambers USA*. The firms’ lawyers and scientific advisors provide national and international clients a full range of services that include litigation, patent procurement, IP strategies, trademarks & copyrights, licensing, and standards & open source software across a wide range of industries and technologies. For more information: www.woodcock.com.

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