



## HOLWELL SHUSTER & GOLDBERG LAUNCHES INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY PRACTICE

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**N**EW YORK—Holwell Shuster & Goldberg LLP announced today that John DiMatteo, most recently co-chair of the intellectual property department at the *AmLaw* 100 law firm Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP, has joined the firm as a partner. With the move, Mr. DiMatteo becomes the first-ever lateral partner addition to Holwell Shuster & Goldberg, the New York litigation boutique that has enjoyed rapid growth since its founding two years ago.

"This is a big day for us," said Judge Richard Holwell, co-founder of the firm and a former federal judge in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. "Adding a patent trial lawyer of John's caliber is a strong endorsement of our firm's success to date. His presence will give us a powerful new dimension as we continue to pursue our goal of becoming one of the country's leading litigation boutiques."

"I'm honored to be a part of this firm that is redefining the litigation boutique," said Mr. DiMatteo. "Coming from a large firm, I understand the unique value that Holwell Shuster & Goldberg offers, with its ability to handle the most demanding litigation while retaining the ability to work cooperatively with its larger peers. I will miss my friends at Willkie, but I look forward to expanding Holwell Shuster & Goldberg's work in patent litigation alongside a group of lawyers I have long admired."

Mr. DiMatteo has represented numerous Fortune 500 companies as lead trial counsel in high-value patent litigation before both federal courts and the International Trade Commission. He has been awarded the legal industry's highest honors, including his ranking by *Chambers USA* as a leading intellectual property lawyer, his inclusion on the BTI Client Service All-Star Team, and his distinction as a Litigation Star by *Benchmark Litigation*, all in the last two years.

With the arrival of Mr. DiMatteo, Holwell Shuster & Goldberg now has 30 full-time attorneys. The firm was founded in February of 2012 by four partners—Judge Holwell, Michael Shuster, Daniel Goldberg, and Dorit Ungar Black. Avi Israeli, the firm's first associate, recently became its fifth partner.

The firm, which moved into new offices to accommodate its growth last year, has added seven new attorneys in 2014 alone. Drawing on the vast experience of its attorneys in complex litigation matters, including Judge Holwell's experience presiding over the insider trading trial of Raj Rajaratnam, the firm has become a leader in financial industry litigation. Representative clients include Freddie Mac in the prosecution of residential mortgage-backed securities "putback" cases, and Visa Inc. as a defendant in substantial antitrust litigation.