

Jason Kipnis Joins WilmerHale's Intellectual Property Department in Palo Alto

With deep experience and a diverse practice, Kipnis further strengthens the firm's IP capabilities

PALO ALTO, CA (November 11, 2013)—WilmerHale is pleased to announce that Jason Kipnis has joined the firm's Palo Alto office as a partner in the Intellectual Property Department. Mr. Kipnis is an experienced intellectual property lawyer with a diverse practice whose arrival advances the firm's growth in the Silicon Valley market and the depth of experience the practice offers.

"We are thrilled to have Jason join our team," said Mark D. Selwyn, partner-in-charge of WilmerHale's Palo Alto office and co-chair of the firm's Intellectual Property Litigation Practice. "Jason will further enhance the breadth and depth of the firm's intellectual property practice, especially in Silicon Valley."

Mr. Kipnis added, "WilmerHale is a powerhouse firm, and I couldn't be happier with my new colleagues, the firm's culture, its client base and its plans for continued expansion in this market."

Mr. Kipnis joins WilmerHale from Weil, Gotshal & Manges, where he had practiced since 1995 and was most recently head of the IP counseling practice in the firm's Silicon Valley office. Mr. Kipnis has advised clients regarding a wide variety of intellectual property matters, including IP portfolio management, IP litigation, IP enforcement and dispute counseling, IP transactions, and IP audits and due diligence. His clients have been at various stages of development and span a wide range of technologies, and he has represented mid- to large-sized technology companies in the hardware, software, networking, consumer electronics, Internet and semiconductor processing industries.

"Jason's skill and experience will bolster our firm's intellectual property offerings on the West Coast," commented Donald Steinberg, chair of the WilmerHale's Intellectual Property Department. "In addition, his technical experience and broad knowledge are valuable as we continue to support and collaborate with our litigation teams on their most complicated and pressing client matters."

WilmerHale provides comprehensive solutions to the intellectual property business challenges that face companies at all stages of growth in every aspect of their business that involves the acquisition, exploitation or protection of intellectual property. The firm combines the focused legal and technical skills normally associated with boutique intellectual property firms with the broad business and litigation capabilities of a major general practice firm. Consistently ranked among the leading law firms for intellectual property, the 2014 edition of the *U.S. News – Best Lawyers*® "Best Law Firms" list named WilmerHale among the nation's top-tier firms for Patent Law, Technology Law, IP Litigation and Patent Litigation. Meanwhile, *Chambers USA 2013* named the firm a national leader for intellectual property, and the firm's California, Massachusetts, Washington DC and New York offices were also ranked in the esteemed guidebook.

Mr. Kipnis is an adjunct lecturer at Stanford Law School, where he teaches IP Strategy for High Technology Companies. He is a member of the California State Bar, is registered to practice before the US Patent and Trademark Office, and is admitted to the US Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit of the US District Court for the Northern District of California. Mr. Kipnis earned his JD from Stanford Law School, where he served as an editor of the *Stanford Law Review*. Prior to law school, he spent two years at Oracle as a consultant after receiving his MS and BS from Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

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