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Perkins Coie Appoints Babak Tehranchi as Firmwide Co-Chair of Post-Grant Practice

SEATTLE (May 25, 2023)—Perkins Coie is pleased to announce that Intellectual Property Partner Babak Tehranchi, Ph.D. has been named firmwide co-chair of the Post-Grant Proceedings practice, effective May 25, 2023. Babak, a Patent Prosecution partner in the firm's San Diego office, will lead the national practice within the firm's Intellectual Property group.

Babak has been involved in more than 85 *inter partes reviews* (IPR), post-grant reviews (PGR) and covered business method (CBM) review proceedings since the inception of the PTAB. He regularly represents clients on both the petitioner and patent owner sides. Babak has over 10 years of industry experience as a research scientist and engineer and is the inventor of 49 U.S. and international patents.

"Babak's commitment to excellence and extensive expertise in the post-grant space greatly benefits our clients and our practice," said Shannon Bloodworth, Perkins Coie's firmwide chair of the Intellectual Property practice. "They will bring a fresh perspective and an innovative approach to the group, and I look forward to the value their leadership will bring to serving clients in this area."

Perkins Coie's post-grant team distinctively combines our extensive patent litigation and appellate experience with our comprehensive patent prosecution capabilities before the USPTO. This unique arrangement provides our clients with strategic advantages and guidance in developing pragmatic and cost-conscious IPR strategies. Our team has collectively handled more than 800 post-grant proceedings and the firm is consistently ranked among the most-hired law firms for post-grant proceedings, including as #1 for having the lowest institution success rate when representing patentees and the lowest unpatentability rate when representing patent owners at the PTAB by *Intellectual Asset Management*.

Perkins Coie is a leading international law firm that is known for providing high-value, strategic solutions and extraordinary client service on matters vital to our clients' success. With more than 1,200 lawyers in offices across the United States and Asia, we provide a full array of corporate, commercial litigation, intellectual property, and regulatory legal advice to a broad range of clients, including many of the world's most innovative companies and industry leaders as well as public and not-for-profit organizations.

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