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Perkins Coie Will Move to Iconic Seattle Office Building in 2025

Trusted Advisor to Leading Technology Companies to Occupy Prime Space in Russell Investments Center

SEATTLE (**November 15, 2023**) - Perkins Coie plans to move its Seattle office to an iconic modern office building in mid-2025. The decision by Seattle's largest law firm, a trusted advisor to leading technology companies and entrepreneurs, will see over 800 lawyers and business professionals relocate to the Russell Investments Center at 1301 Second Ave.

"We're truly excited to open this new chapter in the city where Perkins Coie was founded over 100 years ago and where we continue to flourish and serve world-leading Fortune 500 businesses and innovators across a wide range of sectors," said <u>James Williams</u>, Perkins Coie's Seattle office managing partner. "The unique space and facilities offered by this landmark building will help us remain a destination law firm for leading legal and business talent and further strengthen our commitment to the local community."

The move will provide enhanced conference and event space with expansive views of the Seattle waterfront and Puget Sound. The firm's new space will include a modern and welcoming conference center, dedicated spaces for wellness and health, and top-tier amenities. With offices designed for hybrid work and hoteling, the firm's Seattle real estate footprint will be reduced by just under 50% to approximately 150,000 square feet.

"Our new Seattle office space will reflect the innovation, creativity, and dynamism we deliver to our clients every day and form part of our national strategy to position the firm for future growth," said <u>Bill Malley</u>, Perkins Coie's firmwide managing partner. "The relocation will enhance our collaborative and inclusive culture and strengthen our capabilities to support clients developing cutting-edge technologies that are reshaping the global economy."

Perkins Coie, a 1,200-lawyer firm with deep West Coast and Silicon Valley roots, was <u>founded in Seattle</u> in May 1912 with a handshake between former U.S. District Court Judge George Donworth and former U.S. Attorney Elmer Todd. *Law360* recently recognized Perkins Coie as a legal "<u>Powerhouse</u>" for delivering litigation success to its clients across the Pacific Northwest and for providing artificial intelligence—related counsel to global technology companies.

Lawyers in the Seattle office also counsel clients in related fields such as mergers and acquisitions, technology transactions, intellectual property and patents, venture capital, emerging companies and startups, white-collar enforcement, fintech, and privacy and data security.

"All of us at CommonWealth Partners are very excited to welcome Perkins Coie to Russell Investments Center and to expand our relationship beyond Los Angeles," said Stefan Khudic, a senior partner of CommonWealth Partners. "CommonWealth Partners is committed to providing exceptional, amenity-rich office environments that meet the unique needs of our customers in all our assets across the US, and Russell Investments Center is a prime example. Perkins Coie's presence adds a new dimension to our diverse and dynamic environment, aligning seamlessly with our commitment to fostering innovation and collaboration."

The firm is deeply invested in pro bono legal work in Seattle and across the state and the country. Firm lawyers provided over 14,000 hours of pro bono legal service in 2022 to clients in need across the city and region. Perkins Coie is also dedicated to advancing racial equality through legal representation, policy advocacy, and community-based activities.

The new offices within the Russell Investments Center will be situated within a highly energy-efficient Class A high-rise with a Platinum LEED rating for efficiency, water conservation, and indoor environmental quality, and with proximity to mass transit.

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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