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Katten Names Bruce Vanyo Co-Chair of New York Litigation and Dispute Resolution Practice

NEW YORK - Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP is pleased to announce that **Bruce G. Vanyo**, co-chair of the firm's national <u>Securities Litigation Practice</u>, will join <u>Anthony Paccione</u> as co-chair of Katten's New York <u>Litigation and Dispute Resolution Practice</u>. In addition to his new role in New York, Mr. Vanyo will continue to maintain an office in Los Angeles, where he has been based since joining Katten in 2006.

One of the nation's best-known securities litigators, Mr. Vanyo has defended more major securities cases than any other lawyer in America. He has represented some of the most prominent U.S. companies, including The Boeing Company, Dell Inc., Hewlett Packard, Genentech and Bank of America.

Mr. Vanyo's national practice focuses on the defense of securities class actions, defense of derivative litigation, representation before the Securities and Exchange Commission and representation of board committees in conducting internal investigations. He has represented clients in more than 20 different states, in several foreign countries and across a broad range of industries, including technology, life sciences, airline, motion picture, banking, mining, real estate and insurance.

"As the majority of securities litigation class actions occur in the Southern District of New York and our Securities Litigation Practice is truly national in scope, it is appropriate that Bruce increase his presence in the New York market, where he already focuses a significant amount of his time," said Henry Bregstein, co-managing partner of Katten's New York office. "We are pleased to officially welcome Bruce to the New York office and know that our clients will benefit from his tremendous legal skill and experience. We look forward to working with Bruce and Anthony to continue to grow our New York Litigation and Dispute Resolution Practice."

Throughout his career, Mr. Vanyo has pioneered much of the securities law that has been favorable to defendants. In recognition of his impact, when technology companies were besieged by securities class actions in the early 1990s, the technology industry asked him to lead its efforts to accomplish securities litigation reform. As a result, he created and drafted for Congress the pleading and safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Thereafter, he litigated and won the *Silicon Graphics* case, which was widely regarded as the most significant decision applying the Reform Act, and created the highest pleading standard in the country for securities class actions.

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Prior to joining Katten in 2006, Mr. Vanyo was chairman of the Securities Litigation Group at Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati. He founded the firm's Litigation Department and served as its chairman from 1984 until 1996.

Katten's trial lawyers are adept at achieving the business objectives of their clients in cases ranging from contract disputes and regulatory matters to securities class action lawsuits and other complex commercial litigation. The firm serves its clients with a broad, national litigation practice staffed in each of its offices by attorneys whose backgrounds and experiences are as varied as the clients they serve. As advocates and counselors, Katten succeeds by combining knowledge of its clients' business with expertise in the law and the art of advocacy. The practice's experience and foresight leads to sound assessments of business and legal risks, accurate estimates of costs of defense, and, when necessary, favorable settlements. As a result, Katten is able to deliver cost-effective services on multi-million dollar cases and efficiently respond to smaller matters.

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