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**Katten Muchin Rosenman Expands Securities Litigation Practice
with High-Profile Addition**

Leading Securities Litigator Bruce G. Vanyo Joins as Co-Chair of Practice

LOS ANGELES and CHICAGO – Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP has significantly expanded the scope of its securities litigation practice group with the addition of **Bruce G. Vanyo** as Partner and Co-Chair of the [Securities Litigation Practice](#). Mr. Vanyo joins the Firm’s Los Angeles office and will also join the Firm’s Board of Directors.

Mr. Vanyo has practiced exclusively in the area of securities litigation for more than 30 years and has defended more than 200 major securities cases. A winning litigator, in the past five years he has secured complete victories in 21 cases, including seven appellate victories in five different federal courts of appeal. As a leading figure in the practice and development of securities law, Mr. Vanyo was asked by Congress to draft the pleading and safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995.

“Bruce and I have known each other for more than a decade and we have always had tremendous respect for each other,” said [David H. Kistenbroker](#), Chairman of Katten Muchin Rosenman’s National Litigation Department and Co-Chair of the Securities Litigation Practice.

The Firm’s Securities Litigation Practice focuses on the defense of publicly traded companies and their directors and officers in securities class actions, SEC and DOJ investigations, corporate governance disputes, and internal investigations.

“By adding Bruce to the partnership, we will have an even greater ability to represent many companies involved in these types of cases from coast to coast,” said [Vincent A.F. Sergi](#), the Firm’s Managing Partner. “We are thrilled to have Bruce join our firm.”

Mr. Vanyo’s practice includes defense of securities actions, defense of derivative litigation, representation before the SEC, and representation of board committees in conducting internal investigations. He also provides counseling in corporate governance matters. His practice is national, with clients spanning several industries, with a special emphasis on technology companies, but also including those in the life sciences, airline, motion picture, banking, and insurance sectors. His clients have included Krispy Kreme Doughnuts, Dell Computer Corporation, The Boeing Company, Fluor Corporation, America West Airlines (now US Airways Group, Inc.), Amdocs Limited, Sun Microsystems, Inc. and Genentech, Inc.

Mr. Vanyo has served as chair of the Annual Securities Litigation and Enforcement Institute for the Practising Law Institute since 1984. He was chairman of the Committee for the Administration of Justice Reform of the State Bar of California and president of the Securities Litigation Section, Bar Association of San Francisco. He has served as an attorney delegate, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals Judicial Conference.

Prior to joining Katten Muchin Rosenman, Mr. Vanyo was a Partner in the Los Angeles office of Kirkland & Ellis LLP and previously Co-Chairman of the Securities Litigation Group at Wilson Sonsini Goodrich &

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Rosati, in their Palo Alto office. He holds a J.D. from Columbia Law School and a B.S., *summa cum laude*, from Miami University (Ohio).

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