

Sheppard Mullin Adds Bingham Corporate Partner

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Law360, New York (March 16, 2011) -- Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton LLP last week picked up a corporate finance expert from Bingham McCutchen LLP to join the firm's New York office.

The firm said March 10 that Shon Glusky would join Sheppard Mullin's corporate practice group as a partner, after a roughly two-year stint as a partner in Bingham's corporate, M&A and securities practice group.

The firm highlighted Glusky's skills in handling high-dollar transactional matters and said he'd bolster the corporate group.

"Shon's practice dovetails nicely with our transactional strengths in M&A and private equity, Sheppard Mullin Chairman Guy Halgren said. "His joining the corporate practice group and the New York office makes us even stronger."

Russell Reid, managing partner of Sheppard Mullin's New York office and a former colleague of Glusky, added that Glusky's move would provide a solid foundation from which to grow the firm's corporate practice in the city.

Glusky has devoted much of his practice to venture capital, private equity, mergers and acquisitions, corporate counseling and debt restructurings, according to Sheppard Mullin.

He boasts experience handling transactions ranging from start-up financing to multibillion dollar deals, and his work has brought him into numerous fields, such as telecommunications, biotechnology, applications and services, and transportation.

Glusky has also represented emerging growth and later-stage companies, as well as hedge funds, private equity funds and corporate acquirers, among others, Sheppard Mullin said.

He received his J.D. from Emory University School of Law in 1998.

Glusky said joining Sheppard Mullin means reuniting with several former colleagues and taking a role in expanding the firm's corporate practice.

"Sheppard Mullin is a top-notch full service firm that offers an excellent transactional platform," he said. "I am impressed by the strength and depth of the firm's corporate group, as well as the collegial culture and entrepreneurial spirit of the New York office."

More than 40 attorneys are based in Sheppard Mullin's New York office, and the firm's corporate practice group contains more than 100 attorneys across the firm, Sheppard Mullin said.

At the beginning of the month, a former partner from now-defunct Howrey LLP joined Sheppard Mullin's corporate practice group in Washington, D.C.

Roger A. Klein, former chairman of Howrey's corporate and transactional practice and general counsel to the firm, signed on with Sheppard Mullin as a partner on March 1, the firm said.

Klein is a veteran in multinational corporate and commercial transactions, representing defense contractors, major hotels, sports facilities and publications in multibillion dollar corporate acquisitions.

A 1974 Georgetown University Law Center graduate, Klein has also handled an array of commercial cases, including debt and equity financing, and employment contracts, as well as internal investigations and Foreign Corrupt Practices Act matters.

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