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Kilpatrick Townsend Elects New Partners and Elevates New Counsel for 2023

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ATLANTA (January 3) – **Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton** announced today the election of nine new members to its partnership and the elevation of 12 attorneys to counsel effective January 1, 2023.

Elected to Partner:

- **[Betsy Bengtson](#)** is on the **Trademark & Copyright** Team in **Denver**. Betsy counsels clients on a range of trademark matters including domestic and international trademark clearance, prosecution, portfolio management, and enforcement.
- **[Calla Yee](#)** is a member of the **Trademark & Copyright** Team in **San Francisco**. She focuses on global portfolio management, including domestic and foreign trademark clearance, global trademark prosecution, international and domestic trademark protection strategies, global portfolio audits, and comprehensive re-branding initiatives.
- **[Chris Schaffer](#)** is a member of the **Electronics & Software** Team in **San Diego**. He focuses on IP counseling, international patent prosecution, infringement and validity analyses, technology licensing and due diligence with an emphasis on power/analog electronics, semiconductors, electronics packaging, advanced materials, thermal management, mechanical systems, and software.
- **[Edgar Callaway](#)** is a member of the **Finance General Corporate, M&A & Securities** Team in **Atlanta**. He focuses on mergers and acquisitions, private equity investments, corporate restructurings, capital raising, financing transactions, and general corporate matters.
- **[Edwin Garrison](#)** is a member of the **Capital Markets** Team in **Atlanta**. He focuses on the areas of real estate, finance and capital markets, specifically representing loan servicers and bondholders in connection with securitized commercial loans and securitization trusts.
- **[Forrest Flemming](#)** is a member of the **Trademark & Copyright** Team in **Atlanta**. He focuses his practice on trademark and commercial litigation where he has represented *Fortune* 500 companies in litigations in both state and federal courts, and at the trial and appellate level.
- **[Gautam Reddy](#)** is a member of the **Construction & Infrastructure Projects** Team in **Atlanta**. Focusing on construction and infrastructure projects and government contracting, he represents a variety of clients, including owners, EPC contractors, general contractors, subcontractors, and design professionals, in the U.S. and globally.
- **[Jeffrey Fisher](#)** is a member of the **Complex Commercial Litigation** Team in **Atlanta**. He is a trial lawyer who focuses on complex commercial litigation, including contractual disputes, class actions, and litigation

involving restrictive covenants and trade secrets.

- [Sara Fon Miller](#) is a member of the **M&A Securities and General Corporate** Team in **Atlanta**. She focuses on domestic and cross-border mergers and acquisitions, corporate restructurings, capital raising, and other complex transactions, and general corporate and securities matters for both publicly traded and privately held clients.

Elevated to Counsel:

- [Adam Gianola](#) is a member of the **Electronics & Software** Team in **Denver**. He focuses on patent prosecution and counseling in materials, optics, software, and electronics.
- [Alice Yu Magnuson](#) is a member of the **Labor & Employment** Team in **Raleigh**. She focuses on employment law, including discrimination, harassment, retaliation, wrongful termination, wage & hour, class and collective actions, restrictive covenants, leaves of absence, employment agreements and policies, and employee classifications.
- [Ashley Edmonds](#) is a member of the **Trademark & Copyright** Team in **Washington D.C.** She focuses on domestic and international trademark counseling, portfolio management, clearance, and enforcement matters.
- [Ava Conger](#) is a member of the **Complex Commercial Litigation** Team in **Atlanta**. She focuses on complex commercial litigation, including contractual disputes, real estate disputes, and class action defense, as well as white-collar crime and internal investigations.
- [Benjamin Kleinman](#) is a member of the **Complex Commercial Litigation** Team in **San Francisco**. He focuses his practice on patent litigation and complex civil litigation, including trade secret and commercial disputes involving software and technology.
- [David Hsu](#) is a member of the **Electronics & Software** Team in **Denver**. He focuses his practice on patent preparation, prosecution, and related counseling with technical expertise in biotechnology, clean technology, and semiconductors.
- [David Simpkins](#) is a member of the **Real Estate Finance & Capital Markets** Team in **Charlotte**. He focuses on real estate finance and commercial mortgage-backed securities transactions while representing financial institutions, master servicers and special servicers regarding performing and distressed real estate loans.
- [Elizabeth Spivey](#) is a member of the **Real Estate Investment & Development** Team in **Atlanta**. She focuses on representing clients in the leasing, acquisition and development of commercial property.
- [Kevin Bell](#) is a member of the **Patent & Trademark Litigation** Team in **Denver**. He focuses on intellectual property litigation, including patent, trademark and copyright matters.
- [Rachel Saimons](#) is a member of the **Native American Affairs** Team in **Seattle**. She focuses on litigation, including Native American affairs and labor & employment-related matters.
- [Tyler McAllister](#) is a member of the **Electronics & Software** Team in **Seattle**. His practice focuses on patent preparation and prosecution, patent clearance and opinions, patent counseling, post-grant review, and related business and IP counseling. Tyler counsels clients in a wide range of technologies, with particular emphasis on health IT, fintech, machine learning, small form factor batteries, and wearable devices.

- **Yifan Mao** is a member of the **Chemistry & Life Sciences** Team in **Silicon Valley**. She focuses on patent counseling, prosecution, and due diligence matters in the chemistry and life sciences industries, focusing on areas related to diagnostics, large molecule therapeutics, devices, and sequencing technologies.

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