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Kilpatrick Townsend's Chemistry & Life Sciences Practice Expands in Silicon Valley

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Counsel Alan Dow Joins Firm

MENLO PARK (March 27) – **Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton** announced today the addition of **Alan Dow, Ph.D.** to the firm's Silicon Valley office. Dr. Dow is joining as Counsel in the firm's internationally recognized Intellectual Property Group's Chemistry and Life Sciences Team.

"Alan is an outstanding addition to the firm," says Jon Michaelson, Managing Partner of the Silicon Valley Office. "He brings nearly 20 years of experience representing clients in the biotechnology industry, with majority of that time working in-house with leading life sciences companies. Alan's exceptional background and robust insight gained in-house at Complete Genomics and BGI-Shenzhen will be an outstanding resource for our clients and further propels the firm's well-respected and deep Chemistry & Life Sciences Team."

"I am excited to join Kilpatrick Townsend's Chemistry & Life Sciences Team," says Alan Dow. "Having worked closely with the team over the years and observing first-hand its outstanding work, I know that I am joining a firm dedicated to providing quality client service and encourages collaboration. Kilpatrick Townsend's international reach and strong resources, is a great complement to my practice and I look forward to being a resource to the firm and to our clients."

Prior to joining the firm, Dr. Dow was Vice President of Intellectual Property and Legal Affairs at Complete Genomics, Inc., a life sciences company in Mountain View, California, managing its legal affairs, including intellectual property, transactions, litigation, and other legal matters. In addition, Dr. Dow served as Vice President of Intellectual Property for BGI-Shenzhen, which acquired Complete Genomics in 2013. BGI-Shenzhen, headquartered in Shenzhen, China, is the world's largest genomics services company, providing sequencing and bioinformatics services and systems for research, medical, agricultural, and environmental applications. As part of BGI, Complete Genomics is an R&D center of excellence, building next-generation sequencing systems and applications. Since 1994, Dr. Dow has been an intellectual property attorney in patent boutiques, large general practice law firms, and in-house with a multinational life science company.

Dr. Dow earned his J.D. from Stanford Law School. He received his Ph.D. in Medical Sciences (Genetics) from Harvard University and his B.S., *with High Distinction*, in Chemistry from the University of Maine at Orono.

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