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## Two New Partners Bolster IP Litigation Practice at Spencer Fane

Spencer Fane LLP is pleased to announce [Lawrence C. Drucker](#) and [Bryan N. DeMatteo](#) joined the firm as partners in the Litigation and Dispute Resolution practice group.

With more than five decades of combined experience, Lawrence and Bryan specialize in intellectual property (IP) litigation, focusing on helping clients navigate complex patent disputes across a diverse array of technical disciplines. They represent both plaintiffs and defendants before U.S. District Courts, appellate courts, and the International Trade Commission.

“Larry and Bryan are exceptional talents who continually curate and reshape industry standards with cutting-edge, high-level legal acumen,” said [Blair Jacobs](#), Office Managing Partner for Spencer Fane in Washington, D.C. and Chair of the firm’s Intellectual Property Litigation practice group. “I have known Bryan and Larry for more than 15 years and they are exceptionally dedicated to client service as well as top-tier litigators. We are thrilled to welcome them into our likeminded and rapidly expanding IP litigation practice, where their unique experience will offer creative new perspectives, reinforcing the group’s innovative strategies and vigorous client advocacy efforts. They will undoubtedly assist in growing out our nationally renowned funding practice and we look forward to collaborating with them as the group continues its rapid growth.”

As a seasoned trial attorney representing clients in high-stakes patent litigation in courts throughout the nation, Lawrence is frequently called on to serve as lead counsel in cases between competitors, as well as in patent enforcement actions backed by litigation funders. He is also an experienced commercial litigator,

representing clients in a wide variety of cases involving breach of contract, fraud, and other business disputes. Outside of his litigation practice, Lawrence routinely advises clients regarding patent, trademark, and copyright license agreements, as well as other business contracts, and serves as outside diligence counsel to several prominent litigation funders.

Bryan has extensive experience litigating patents, and he has actively participated in and first chaired trials in numerous patent cases. He represents clients in connection with post-grant proceedings before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, and routinely conducts patent IP due diligence on behalf of his clients, as well as for venture capitalists and other entities, including funds wishing to invest in IP litigation. Bryan is also admitted to the patent bar, having prosecuted patents for several major corporations. He assists clients in a wide variety of technical industries, including telecommunications, electronics, medical, robotics, computer software, and mechanical. Prior to attending law school, Bryan assisted in designing radar and radar jamming systems for military aircraft and IBM's PowerPC processors. He was also the sole hardware designer of a cellular phone system produced by TransSky Corp, precedent-setting technical work which has shaped his current practice.

Lawrence completed his undergraduate degree *summa cum laude* at the Queens College of the City University of New York, then earned his Juris Doctor at Columbia Law School, where he was a member of the *Columbia Journal of Law & the Arts*. Before earning his Juris Doctor *Valedictorian* at Touro Law Center, Bryan completed his undergraduate studies at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.