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Former Assistant United States Attorney Alexander Southwell Joins Gibson Dunn's New York Office

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Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP is pleased to announce that Alexander H. Southwell has joined the firm's New York office as of counsel. Mr. Southwell previously served as an Assistant U.S. Attorney with the U.S. Attorney's Office in the Southern District of New York. He is a member of the firm's White Collar Defense and Investigations, Crisis Management, Litigation, Securities Litigation and Intellectual Property Practice Groups.

Gibson Dunn continues to increase its White Collar strength. Mr. Southwell joins a number of former Assistant U.S. Attorneys at Gibson Dunn, including Jarrett Arp, Robert Blume, Robert Bonner (U.S. Attorney, Cent. Dist. of Calif.), David Burns, David Debold, Lee Dunst, Miguel Estrada, Michael Farhang, Douglas Fuchs, Nicola Hanna, Peter Jaffe, Randy Mastro, Marcellus McRae, Orin Snyder, John Sturc, Maurice Suh, Jim Walden, Joseph Warin, Gregory Whitehair, and Debra Wong Yang (U.S. Attorney, Cent. Dist. of Calif.).

Mr. Southwell served from 2001 through 2007 as an Assistant U.S. Attorney with the U.S. Attorney's Office in the Southern District of New York. As a federal prosecutor and member of the Securities and Commodities Fraud Task Force for three years, Mr. Southwell investigated and prosecuted a wide range of cases under the federal securities laws, including accounting fraud, insider trading, fraudulent offering of securities, market manipulation, and hedge fund improprieties.

Mr. Southwell also focused on investigating and prosecuting computer hacking and intrusion cases and intellectual property offenses, as well as other high-technology offenses. Additionally, Mr. Southwell prosecuted a range of cases including wire and mail frauds, insurance fraud, public corruption, bank secrecy act violations, identity theft, firearms crimes, tax offenses, child exploitation, and immigration crimes. As a federal prosecutor, Mr. Southwell tried a dozen felony cases and handled over a dozen appeals before the Second Circuit Court of Appeals.

Mr. Southwell is also an Adjunct Professor of Law at Fordham University School of Law where he teaches a seminar on cyber-crimes, covering computer misuse crimes, intellectual property offenses, the Fourth Amendment in cyber-space, computer evidence at trial, data breach and privacy issues, and information security, among other areas.

Mr. Southwell earned his undergraduate degree, *magna cum laude*, from Princeton University and his law degree, *magna cum laude*, from New York University School of Law. Following law school, Mr. Southwell served as a Law Clerk for the Honorable Naomi Reice Buchwald of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York.

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