

### Sheppard Mullin Adds Construction Litigation Partner Scott Hennigh To Expanding San Francisco Office

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Scott E. Hennigh has moved his practice to Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton LLP from Thelen Reid Brown Raysman & Steiner LLP, where he was a partner in the Construction and Government Contracts Group. He will be joining as a partner in Sheppard Mullin's expanding San Francisco office.

Hennigh has substantial first-chair trial experience in complex commercial litigation, and specializes in cases concerning both private real-estate development projects, as well as public works projects with government entities. His client base consists primarily of California companies engaged in construction projects throughout the state.

"Scott brings significant trial experience to the firm's well-regarded real estate practice, one of the largest in the state. His substantial background in litigation dovetails well with the San Francisco office's real estate and construction group," said Guy Halgren, chairman of the firm.

Commented Hennigh, "Sheppard Mullin gives me what I believe to be a unique platform to provide efficiency and value to clients. The firm is entrenched throughout California, with offices in the major geographic markets that are the targets of growth in the state's construction and public infrastructure industries. That, coupled with its deep combined knowledge base of not only real estate law, but also state and federal government contracts law, will provide excellent resources to service current and future clients."

"Scott is a skilled practitioner whose particular experience in representing clients in the public and private construction sector is a natural complement to Sheppard Mullin," said Betsy McDaniel, managing partner of the firm's San Francisco office. "His arrival also further strengthens our San Francisco office, with Scott being the second litigation partner to join the office in as many months."

Last month, litigation partner Arthur J. Friedman joined Sheppard Mullin's San Francisco office with real estate partner Judy V. Davidoff in April, as part of a six attorney team that previously practiced at Steefel, Levitt & Weiss in San Francisco. With the addition of Hennigh, the office's attorney headcount is now at 83 (for the first time in its 25-year history).

Hennigh received his B.A. from the University of Colorado, Boulder in 1990 and his J.D. from University of California, Hastings College of Law in 1996.

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