

Corporate Partner Jeryl Bowers Joins Sheppard Mullin

Los Angeles-Based M&A Expert Expands Firm's Transactional Practice

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Jeryl A. Bowers has joined the Los Angeles/Century City office of Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton LLP as a partner in the firm's Corporate practice group. Bowers most recently was a partner at K&L Gates in Los Angeles.

Bowers concentrates his practice in mergers and acquisitions and general corporate areas, including IP licensing. His recent M&A representations include: Beckman Coulter, Inc. in the divestiture of its MicroPlate Reader Products Division, Ticketmaster Entertainment, Inc. in the sale of its IATS division to First American Payment Systems, and Mitek Corporation in the acquisition of Keragis Corporation. Bowers' IP licensing representations include: Ticketmaster Entertainment, Inc. in connection with a licensing agreement with Apple, Inc., and MediaLive International, Inc. and Aristocrat Technologies, Inc. in connection with various IP licensing agreements.

"Jeryl has an impressive M&A and general corporate background, which includes private practice and corporate counsel experience. His practice is an excellent fit with our formidable Corporate practice in Los Angeles and throughout the state, including sharing existing firm clients Beckman Coulter and Ticketmaster," said Guy N. Halgren, chairman of the firm.

In addition to private practice, Bowers previously held general counsel positions at Medialive International Holdings, Inc. and PetSmart.com, Inc.

"I am excited about joining Sheppard Mullin, a top-notch full service firm with a strong corporate practice and significant footprint in California," Bowers commented. "I am impressed with firm management's continued dedication to growing the Corporate practice group, and excited to be part of a partnership that values teamwork and fosters collegiality."

Bowers received a J.D. from University of Chicago Law School in 1993 and a B.A. from Howard University in 1990.

Sheppard Mullin has 200 attorneys based in its Los Angeles offices. The firm's Corporate practice group includes 100 attorneys firmwide.

Bowers is the latest of seventeen partners to join Sheppard Mullin in 2010. Other partners joining the Corporate practice group this year include Don Williams (Shanghai) from Wilson Sonsini, Jon Atzen (Los Angeles/Downtown) from DLA Piper and Kevin Rooney (Silicon Valley) from Hayden Bergman & Rooney.

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