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## DLA Piper snags two more lawyers for local office

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added seven lawyers in the past month: **Gregory S. Richters** joins as a shareholder from **Freeman, Mathis & Gary**; **Jerry C. Newsome** as a shareholder from **Hunton & Williams**; **Antonio D. Robinson** and **Michaelangelo Spinola** as counsel from **Jackson Lewis**; **Patrick R. Ray Jr.** as an associate from an in-house position at **Randstad North America**; **Jenna S. Barresi** as an associate from **Fisher & Phillips**; and **Steve F. Ventura** as an associate from **Ford & Harrison**.

The additions increase the size of the Atlanta office by one-third, to 29 lawyers. "We have the work," said the office's partner-in-charge, Cameron S. Pierce. He said the Atlanta office's workload has increased significantly from a spike in collective and class action work. The office has handled a dozen such lawsuits in the past year. Growth firmwide—Littler has added 7 offices in the past year for a total of 36—also has increased work in the Atlanta office, Pierce said.



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**Phyllis Sumner** returns to King & Spalding after working as an assistant U.S. attorney in Georgia.

**King & Spalding** has gained another former federal prosecutor. **Phyllis B. Sumner**, formerly an assistant U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Georgia, has rejoined the firm as a partner in its business litigation group.

As a federal prosecutor, Sumner helped handle the prosecutions of Centennial Olympic Park bomber Eric Rudolph and former Atlanta Mayor Bill Campbell.

Sumner started her career at King & Spalding in 1990 as an associate in the special matters and government investigations group. She served as a federal prosecutor here since 2002, following three years as an Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois.

**The University of Georgia School of Law** has hired four faculty members and named **Daniel M. Bodansky** the associate dean for faculty development. Bodansky, an authority on global climate change, holds the Emily and Ernest Woodruff Chair in International Law.

**David A. Brennan** comes from **Mercer University's Walter F. George School of Law** and will teach tax law. **Julian A. Cook III** joins from **Michigan State University's**

law school and will teach criminal law, criminal procedure and evidence.

**Fazal Khan**, who specializes in health law, previously was a litigation associate at Chicago firm **Jenner & Block** and a mock trial developer for the **National Foundation for Judicial Excellence**. He received his law degree in 2000 and his medical degree in 2003, both from the University of Illinois.

**Sonja R. West** joins the faculty from the **University of Alabama**, where she was the Hugo Black Faculty Fellow. She will teach media law and constitutional law and is a former clerk for U.S. Supreme Court Justice John Paul Stevens and Judge Dorothy W. Nelson of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

**John F. Baron** has been named the new partner-in-charge for **Alston & Bird's** Charlotte office. Baron will continue to lead that office's tax group.

He takes over from **Chip Simmons**, who is pursuing a career in venture capital with Alston client **Reservoir Capital Group** in Dallas.

Immigration boutique **Siskind Susser**, which has a two-attorney branch in Atlanta, has merged with the New York-based **Eric Bland Law Firm** to create **Siskind Susser Bland**. **Karen Weinstock**, managing partner of the firm's Atlanta office, said Memphis, Tenn.-based Siskind Susser has focused on tech and health-care clients and the addition of the three Bland attorneys expands its reach into entertainment and fashion. The Bland firm processed about 70 percent of all visas issued to fashion models during the past year, she said. The firm has about 20 lawyers; its U.S. offices are in Memphis, Nashville, Atlanta and New York, she said.

**Ogletree, Deakins, Nash, Smoak & Stewart** has hired its first director of business development, **Todd Felts**, who was previously the director of **Levick Strategic Communications**, a law-firm consultancy in Washington. Before that, he was the press secretary for former Gov. Jim Hunt of North Carolina. He is based in the firm's Atlanta office.

**Supreme Court of Georgia Chief Justice Leah Ward Sears** has been elected to a two-year term to the board of directors of the **Conference of Chief Justices**. The group represents the interests of state courts before the executive and legislative branches of the federal government. ☞



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