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IRVINE, CA – Howard Klein a partner in the Irvine, CA intellectual property law firm of Klein, O'Neill & Singh, LLP, has been selected by the Bush Administration to serve on the Patent Public Advisory Committee of the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO).

Reporting directly to the Secretary of Commerce, the Patent Public Advisory Committee is comprised of nine members from throughout the United States who serve three year terms.

In making the appointment, Secretary Donald L. Evans said about Klein, "Your service on the committee will be a great asset and will enhance the USPTO in its mission to provide the highest quality of service to those individuals who utilize the patent system, and to protect intellectual property rights of U. S. patent holders."

Created by Congress in 1999, the Patent Public Advisory Committee reviews the policies, goals, performance, budget and user fees of the Patent & Trademark Office. The Committee also prepares an annual report that is presented to the President, the Secretary of Commerce and Congress.

Klein, an intellectual property attorney for over 25 years, is a member of the Orange County (CA) Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, and is Co-Chairman of the Patent Law Committee of the Intellectual Property Practice Group. "I welcome the opportunity to seek improvements in the patent system that would benefit the companies and individuals that depend on U. S. patents to protect the innovations they bring to market," said Klein.

Having graduated from M.I.T. in 1972 with a degree in physics, he later obtained his law degree from Duke University in 1975. Mr. Klein is licensed to practice law in California and New York, and he is registered to practice before the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office.

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