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MORGAN LEWIS CONTINUES TO EXPAND LITIGATION PRACTICE IN PRINCETON OFFICE

Environmental Litigator Gary P. Gengel Joins Firm

Philadelphia, February 27, 2002 - Gary P. Gengel has joined the Princeton office of Morgan Lewis, one of the 10 largest U.S. law firms. Gengel, who has a national environmental litigation practice focusing on Superfund and other matters including complex air, water, hazardous waste and auditing issues, was most recently a partner and the environmental practice group leader for Oppenheimer Wolff & Donnelly LLP, based in Minneapolis. Gengel currently serves as Vice Chair of the Environmental Quality Committee of the American Bar Association.

Robert A. White, managing partner of Morgan Lewis' Princeton office, said, "Gary is an experienced litigator who has represented clients in almost every EPA region. With Gary's arrival and the recent addition of Judge Alfred J. Lechner, Jr., the Princeton office's litigation depth has greatly expanded." Judge Lechner, a former federal district court judge with significant experience in environmental, securities, patent and corporate litigation, joined Morgan Lewis' Princeton office in October 2001.

Commenting on Gengel's decision to join Morgan Lewis, James D. Pagliaro, head of Morgan Lewis' global litigation practice, said, "Gary is a highly regarded environmental litigator with a national reputation in his field and in the Environmental Bar. He will be a valuable asset to our team, and is committed to providing the same level of excellence and outstanding client service for which we are known."

Gengel has represented numerous *Fortune* 500 clients in Superfund matters, natural resource damage cases and other environmental issues. He currently serves as group chair or common counsel at four National Priorities List sites around the country where the principal legal services provided are defense of governmental enforcement actions and contribution claims against other parties. Gengel also has experience in insurance recovery matters, and his knowledge in that area will be of benefit to clients doing business in New Jersey.

Gengel received his law degree from the University of Minnesota Law School in 1984. He received an M.B.A. degree from the University of Minnesota School of Management in 1984, and his bachelor's degree, *magna cum laude*, from Gustavus Adolphus College in 1981.

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