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#### **MORGAN LEWIS EXPANDS LONDON OFFICE WITH BIRD & BIRD SENIOR LITIGATOR**

**LONDON, August 26, 2002 - Trevor Asserson**, formerly Bird & Bird's head of global litigation, will join Morgan Lewis, one of the 10 largest U.S. law firms, as a partner in its London office on September 17, 2002. Mr. Asserson will work with the firm's international litigation and arbitration group.

Mr. Asserson is widely experienced in handling high-profile commercial disputes before the courts and tribunals of England and abroad. His clients have included multinational corporations, banks and agencies of various sovereign states. He has been involved in many of Bird & Bird's high profile cases in recent times.

"The addition of a top-tier litigator such as Trevor will significantly enhance our capabilities in London, in the UK, and throughout Europe, and demonstrates our commitment to strengthening our London presence," said Peter Wallace, managing partner of Morgan Lewis' London office. Robert Goldspink, head of the London litigation practice said "I look forward greatly to Trevor joining us. Trevor will add further depth to our international dispute resolution practice. He comes with the highest possible commendations from bench and bar."

Prior to joining Morgan Lewis, Mr. Asserson was the Global Head of Litigation and joint head of the litigation department of Bird & Bird's London office. Mr. Asserson graduated from Oxford University in 1979. He is a qualified UK solicitor, a solicitor advocate, a member of the London Solicitors Litigation Association, and a CEDR-accredited Mediator, and has been called to the Israeli bar.

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