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Senior Government Attorneys from the Federal Trade Commission and the Department of Labor to Join Morgan Lewis in Washington

WASHINGTON, D.C., January 5, 2009: Morgan Lewis today announced the addition of two more senior government attorneys to its Washington, D.C. office. Thomas J. Lang, a senior trial counsel for the Federal Trade Commission who led the government's trial teams in recent merger cases, joins today as a partner in the Antitrust Practice. Jonathan L. Snare, the deputy solicitor of labor at the Department of Labor, will join the firm as a partner in the Labor and Employment Practice following his departure from government several weeks from now.

Overall, the firm is home to more than 45 partners who have served as high-level attorneys in numerous government agencies ranging from the U.S. Department of Justice and the IRS to the Treasury Department, Securities and Exchange Commission, Department of Energy, and National Labor Relations Board. Notable arrivals from the public sector in recent years include former Texas Solicitor General Ted Cruz, former Deputy IRS Commissioner Mark Matthews, former IRS Deputy Chief Counsel Gary Wilcox, and two senior attorneys from the Department of the Treasury—former Deputy Tax Legislative Counsel Susan Brown, as well as Dan Hogans, who was the government's lead on Section 409A.

"Tom and Jon will both add to the breadth and depth of our regulatory expertise and insider's view of government action," noted Grace Speights, Managing Partner of the Washington, D.C. office. "We are excited to welcome them to the firm."

As Senior Litigation Counsel at the FTC, Mr. Lang is one of a select group of antitrust attorneys nationwide with first-chair merger trial experience. He led or co-led the FTC trial teams in several recent high-profile cases, such as *FTC v. Foster [Western Refining]*, *FTC v. Whole Foods Markets*, and *FTC v. Inova Health System Foundation*. At Morgan Lewis, Mr. Lang will focus on antitrust litigation in both merger and nonmerger matters, including class actions, price fixing, predatory pricing, intellectual property-related antitrust issues, and monopolization.

"As the federal government continues its vigorous antitrust enforcement efforts against international cartels, and the new administration steps up enforcement in the mergers and acquisitions area, Tom's background and government experience will serve our clients well," added Scott Stempel, Leader of the firm's Antitrust Practice.

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Mr. Lang is currently Vice Chair of the Business Torts & Civil RICO Committee of the ABA's Antitrust Section. He joins an Antitrust Practice that includes nearly 50 professionals with experience delivering the full spectrum of antitrust services—from obtaining premerger approval around the world for competitively aggressive M&A transactions to responding to multijurisdictional investigations and civil litigation—before competition authorities in the U.S., the European Union and its member states, China, and Japan.

A graduate of Cornell Law School, Mr. Lang returned to his alma mater to teach antitrust law as the Distinguished Practitioner in Residence this past fall. He also holds a B.A. from Princeton University and an M.A. from Georgetown University in National Security Studies. Commissioned as a Distinguished Military Graduate from Princeton's Army ROTC, Mr. Lang is a former Military Intelligence officer who served on active duty following the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

Mr. Snare, who has been serving in a number of high-level positions at the Department of Labor since 2003, has been involved in virtually every major substantive area of the agency. These include: the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA); Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA); Mine Safety and Health Act (MSHA); Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA); Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP)—including its enforcement of Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) and related requirements in federal contracts; Whistleblower Enforcement; Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act (LMRDA), Union Disclosure and Elections under the Office of Labor-Management Standards (OLMS); and enforcement of labor standards in international trade agreements. He is expected to start at the firm on February 23, 2009.

Mr. Snare's arrival will further broaden the firm's nationally recognized labor and employment capabilities—which have made Morgan Lewis a winner or finalist in every *American Lawyer* magazine "Litigation Department of the Year" competition since 2004. With a strong presence on both coasts and a solid team in the Central U.S., Morgan Lewis's Labor and Employment Practice counsels and represents Fortune 500 companies across a broad array of labor and employment matters, including complex employment litigation; race, sex, and disability discrimination; harassment; wrongful discharge; overtime lawsuits; ERISA; Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA); and noncompete agreements.

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