

**NEWS: For Immediate Release**

**MoloLamken Adds Prominent Litigator, Thomas Wiegand**  
*Elite litigation boutique continues strategic growth*

**(New York) February 16, 2011** – MoloLamken LLP, a premier national litigation boutique, today announced that veteran litigator Thomas J. Wiegand has joined the firm as a partner from Winston & Strawn.

Representing both plaintiffs and defendants, Wiegand brings more than two decades of trial experience to the firm, focusing his practice on complex business litigation, class actions, and antitrust matters, as well as the defense of government investigations and prosecutions.

The move reunites Wiegand with firm co-founder Steven Molo. The two previously were partners at Winston & Strawn in Chicago, litigating cases throughout the United States together for 15 years. The move also signals steady growth towards the firm's goal of evolving over five years into a team of 40 to 50 highly skilled and experienced litigators who embrace a new model of practice that emphasizes quality, employs alternative staffing strategies geared to specific matters, and rewards risk sharing through alternative billing arrangements.

"Tom is a highly accomplished trial lawyer, and the perfect fit for us as we continue our mission to provide clients with superior representation on complex, high-stakes matters," explained Molo. "He is team-oriented and we expect his presence to have an immediate favorable impact on client matters as well as on the other lawyers in the firm."

"You really get to know someone well when you try cases together, and there aren't too many lawyers I know better than Tom Wiegand," said Molo. "He will be a great senior-level addition as we work to expand our presence in New York, as well as Chicago."

Added Wiegand: "MoloLamken has quickly established itself as one of the leading litigation boutiques in the country with a flexible platform that is ideal for clients and, frankly, a fun place to practice if you define yourself as a courtroom advocate. The firm offers clients superior intellectual firepower along with extensive practical courtroom experience. I am proud of my long affiliation with Winston & Strawn but I'm excited about the opportunities here."

**Firm's Effective Boutique Model and Client Victories Define Early Success**

With a focus on quality, efficiency, and fee structures aligned with client interests, Molo, along with Jeffrey Lamken, former head of the Supreme Court and Appellate practice at Baker Botts LLP, launched the firm in the fall of 2009 during the depths of the recession. MoloLamken has established itself quickly with an impressive series of victories in a variety of courts across the country, including three wins in the United States Supreme Court.

Emphasizing excellence in advocacy over subject matter expertise, the firm has handled complex matters for businesses, investors, and individuals with varied interests and focuses – including the private equity, hedge fund, health care, oil and gas, retail,

chemical, energy, financial services, insurance, real estate, securities, and communications industries.

“We’ve grown to more than a dozen lawyers and have been fortunate to have generated a number of remarkable results for important clients in a very short time,” said Molo. “It’s been an exciting start and our model is now more relevant than ever. We see a number of new opportunities for growth in the coming year.”

As an example, Molo noted that while the firm represents financial services companies, its platform allows it to remain averse to many large institutions, particularly financial institutions, which remain at the center of complex litigation and regulation with the advent of the Dodd-Frank Act.

### **About Thomas J. Wiegand**

Wiegand has represented both plaintiffs and defendants in complex business litigation matters involving a wide variety of claims, including common law and UCC contract claims, statutory and common law fraud, fiduciary duty, and myriad federal and state statutory claims, including RICO, TILA, FCRA, the Lanham Act, the Sherman Act, and various securities laws.

He also has represented clients in numerous state and federal class actions, including groups of cases joined through the federal Multidistrict Litigation Panel, which have involved cutting edge procedural and substantive issues.

Outside the courtroom, Wiegand serves on the Board of Governors of the Seventh Circuit Bar Association and teaches courses for the National Institute of Trial Advocacy.

Wiegand is a graduate of the Harvard Law School and a *magna cum laude* graduate of Yale University.

### **About MoloLamken LLP**

MoloLamken LLP is a litigation boutique with a national practice focused on complex, high-stakes civil litigation, white collar criminal defense, United States Supreme Court and appellate cases, and regulatory matters before administrative agencies. For more information please visit [www.mololamken.com](http://www.mololamken.com).

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