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Demarron is Senior Litigation Counsel on Google's in-house Litigation team, handling domestic and international cases involving a breadth of legal issues and technology areas. He handles primarily patent litigation matters, but also works on cases involving privacy, defamation, and trade secret theft. Before joining Google, he represented clients in general commercial and intellectual property disputes before federal and state courts throughout the country. Demarron began his legal career as a judicial law clerk to the Honorable Charles R. Wilson of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit. Before law, he was an engineer at top technology companies and taught college computer programming classes.

Hon. Hildy Bowbeer (ret.)

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Judge Bowbeer served as a U.S. Magistrate Judge for the District of Minnesota from June 2014 until her retirement in June 2022. Prior to her appointment, she was an Assistant Chief Intellectual Property Counsel with 3M Company, where she managed IP litigation both in the U.S. and internationally. Judge Bowbeer received her law degree from the University of Michigan in 1979. Following her graduation, she clerked for the Minnesota

Supreme Court before entering private practice. In 1985, she became one of the seven founding partners of Bowman and Brooke, and had a national practice in product liability litigation before joining 3M in 1997. Judge Bowbeer is a judicial advisor to The Sedona Conference and has contributed to its projects on Electronic Discovery, Patent Litigation Best Practices, and Trade Secret Litigation Best Practices. She serves on the Federal Practice Committee for the District of Minnesota and co-authored the District's Guide for Practitioners on electronic discovery. She is also a member of the American Law Institute and the Hon. Jimmie V. Reyna Intellectual Property Inn of Court. She has authored a number of articles and speaks frequently in the U.S. and abroad on IP litigation management, electronic discovery, diversity and inclusion, and ADR.

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Leigh Ann represents clients in various types of business disputes, with a concentration in handling difficult employment and intellectual property issues. She concentrates her practice on drafting, negotiating, and litigating non-compete agreements, pursuing departing employees for misappropriation of trade secrets, and defending companies from accusations of the same. Leigh Ann also provides strategic advice and counsel in employment matters, litigation risks, and investigations. Leigh Ann has experience developing digital evidence, including forensic investigations. Leigh Ann was recognized by The Legal Intelligencer as an "unsung hero" for her pro bono work on a case involving attempts to expunge the criminal record of the first Pennsylvania citizen released from prison on the basis of after-acquired DNA evidence. During law school, Leigh Ann served as a legal intern for the Honorable Bruce I. Fox, United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

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Indira founded Cameron Banks Law in 2021 to bring the full weight of her legal and investigative experience to bear on claims and issues that everyday people face in their personal pursuits of truth and justice both inside and outside the courtroom. As an Assistant United States Attorney in Los Angeles for over thirteen years, Indira worked tirelessly for federal crime victims and everyday consumers, recovering hundreds of millions of dollars in restitution and federal penalties. She directed large federal investigations into the fraudulent mortgage lending and securitization practices at the root of the 2008 financial crisis resulting multi-million dollar settlements. Indira's leadership at the U.S. Dept. of Justice (DOJ) led to her appointment on national DOJ working groups focused on financial fraud and financial recovery, internal auditing teams, and as faculty at the DOJ's national training center. She served as a member of the senior management team in the United States Attorney's Office as Chief of the Financial Litigation Section and as Special Counsel to the United States Attorney. Indira has investigated, litigated, and resolved civil matters (including financial fraud, constitutional violations, torts, employment discrimination, administrative actions, consumer protection, and immigration), and prosecuted criminal matters (including illegal firearms and drugs, child pornography, assault, identity theft and financial fraud). During the global pandemic, she left her federal appointment to serve the most vulnerable

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Steve started practice in 1976 defending against antitrust, patent and trade secrets charges, applying broad technology training and knowledge of competition law. Through swings in technology rights and investment policy, domestic and international, Steve has practiced uniquely “full spectrum” as a patent drafter, start-up and venture fund counselor, and business tort/governance litigator (most recently administrative challenges of medical device patent portfolios and assertion of electric vehicle battery patents). A life member of the American Law Institute and of the Uniform Law Commission, Steve has participated in a generation of drafting most recently of the Uniform Personal Data Protection Act, the Uniform Restrictive Employment Agreements Act and Amendments to the Uniform Commercial Code – Emerging Technologies (primarily blockchain). The “Massachusetts” version of the UTSA, to which Steve contributed, was enacted in 2018. Steve wrote wholly or substantially Data Security and Privacy in Massachusetts, E-Commerce and Communications, International Computer Law and Law of the Internet. He has taught at Suffolk Law School and teaches at Boston University School of Law around his interest of rationalizing the convergence of proprietary (including personal) information rights, commercial and competition law, and societal interests in automated decision making.

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Hon. Kevin Doyle

US District Court, District of Vermont, Burlington, VT, USA

Judge Doyle is a United States Magistrate Judge in the District of Vermont. He is a graduate of Georgetown University and Seton Hall Law School, where he served as an Articles Editor on the law review. Prior to his appointment as Magistrate Judge, he was an Assistant U.S. Attorney in the District of Vermont from 2007 to 2021, handling matters in both the Civil and Criminal Divisions, concluding his service as First Assistant U.S. Attorney. After law school, he was a judicial law clerk in the District of Vermont, the District of New Jersey, and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. Judge Doyle has taught criminal law courses at Norwich University and Vermont Law School, and legal writing and appellate advocacy at the Justice Department's National Advocacy Center. He is a member of the American Law Institute.

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Jonathan is a seasoned intellectual property attorney who focuses his practice on representing clients in patent, trade secret, copyright and trademark litigation before the US International Trade Commission (ITC), and in

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Sheryl is co-chair of Winston & Strawn's Global Privacy and Data Security practice and is recognized as a premier resource in the field of privacy and technology. Her clients have described her "experience and talent" as "unparalleled." Sheryl draws upon her deep expertise in privacy, data security, and forensic technology as well as her strong litigation background to handle complicated data issues, lead computer forensic investigations, and develop data security and trade secret protection procedures. Sheryl is a former Federal Prosecutor and has been recognized in Legal 500 in Privacy/Cyber Security, Trade Secrets and Information Governance.

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Cameron has extensive experience litigating trade secrets cases across multiple states, federal districts, and countries. His experience includes litigating Defend Trade Secrets Act and Uniform Secrets Act claims in state court, federal court, and domestic and international arbitration representing both plaintiffs and defendants. He also has experience with internal investigations related to trade secrets issues and advising companies on policies related to trade secrets. He has managed and advised clients concerning their global trade secrets strategy related to issues and disputes occurring simultaneously across multiple continents and countries. Among Cameron's cases is a ruling obtaining preliminary injunction against a foreign corporation for misappropriation of a domestic medical device manufacturer's trade secrets. He subsequently won in the United States Court of Appeals establishing new law concerning the extraterritorial application of the Ohio Uniform Trade Secrets Act.

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Ben is a shareholder at Berman Fink Van Horn P.C. in Atlanta, Georgia. He concentrates his practice on business and employment litigation with an emphasis on restrictive covenant and trade secret disputes. Ben is a well-respected writer and published author. He lectures regularly on competition-related topics and other legal issues facing businesses and he blogs at Georgia Non-Compete and Trade Secret News. Ben co-authored a chapter on Restrictive Covenant Litigation for Georgia Business Litigation (Daily Report Books). He has co-authored a

Practice Note on Georgia Confidentiality, Nondisclosure and Non-Solicitation Agreements (Thomson Reuters). Currently, Ben serves as the Chair-Elect of the AIPLA's Trade Secrets Committee. He was named one of Georgia's Legal Elite, a Top 100 SuperLawyer in Georgia and was awarded an AV Preeminent rating by Martindale-Hubbell. He obtained his J.D. degree from Emory University School of Law (where he serves as the President of the Alumni Board) and his undergraduate degree from Duke University.

Hon. Beth Labson Freeman

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Judge Freeman is a Judge on the Federal Court in the Northern District of California, appointed by President Obama in 2014. Judge Freeman sits in the San Jose Division, hearing a broad array of cases including antitrust, civil rights, consumer class actions, commercial litigation and technology cases including patent, trademark, copyright and trade secret cases. She serves on the Northern District's patent local rules and jury instruction committees. Judge Freeman previously was a Superior Court Judge in San Mateo County, California from 2001 to 2014. Judge Freeman served as Presiding Judge and Assistant Presiding Judge of the San Mateo Court. Prior to her appointment to the bench in 2001, Judge Freeman was deputy county counsel in San Mateo County, and an associate attorney at Lasky, Haas and Cohler in San Francisco and Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver and Jacobson in Washington, DC. Judge Freeman is a graduate of the Harvard Law School and University of California, Berkeley.

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Dina has extensive complex trade secret litigation expertise involving state law trade secret statutes across multiple federal districts. Her experience covers implementing best practices for protecting trade secrets under

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Hon. Donald F. Parsons Jr. (ret.)

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Hon. Sidney H. Stein

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Judge Stein has been a United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York since 1995. He received an A.B. degree from Princeton University and a J.D degree from Yale Law School. Following his graduation, he was a clerk to the Chief Judge of the State of New York and Chief Judge of the New York Court of Appeals. Judge Stein was a partner in a litigation firm he founded in 1981 until his induction as a United States District Judge in 1995. Judge Stein was a member of the U.S. Delegation to the Special Commission on the Practical Operation of the Hague Convention in 2001 and was the recipient of the Stanley H. Fuld Award of the New York State Bar association in 2003, and the Edward Weinfeld Award of the New York County Lawyers' Association in 2012. Judge Stein is also a member of the American Law Institute, the board of directors of the Greater New York Councils of the Boy Scouts of America, and is Chair of the International Judicial Relations Committee of the Judicial Conference of the United States.

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