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John Lausch, who spent five years as the U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois before stepping down, is returning to Kirkland & Ellis as a partner in its government, regulatory and internal investigations practice group. Lausch started his legal career at the firm in 1997 before leaving in 1999 to become an assistant United States attorney in the Northern District of Illinois.

At Kirkland, Lausch's practice will focus on government enforcement defense, internal investigations and other litigation matters. His experience includes representing BP in connection with government investigations and litigation resulting from the Deepwater Horizon oil rig explosion and oil spill in 2010. Lausch also represented companies before various governmental entities and led confidential internal investigations for companies and boards of directors on other matters, including in connection with allegations of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, health care fraud and environmental crimes.

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Benesch Law added **Kevin W. Humphries** as a partner to its corporate and securities practice group in Chicago.

Humphries advises publicly and privately held companies on a broad range of matters, including mergers and acquisitions, divestitures, minority investments and other strategic transactions and general corporate matters.

He has represented institutional investors on fund investments and co-investments, and previously served as lead counsel to the Alternative Investments department STRS Ohio, an \$88 billion public pension fund. Humphries joins Benesch from Kirkland & Ellis LLP, where he was a partner in the corporate group.

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Stephan Zouras LLP added **Molly Stemper** and **Lauren Warwick** as associates to its Chicago office.



Warwick works to vindicate individual rights. Prior to joining Stephan Zouras, she practiced law as a general litigator in California.

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Winston & Strawn LLP added **Eric Lansing White** as a partner and member of the firm's litigation department at its Chicago office.

White focuses his practice on complex business disputes, mass torts, product liability and internal investigations. He has experience representing both plaintiffs and defendants in a variety of industries, including energy, pharmaceutical, technology, food and beverage, private equity, higher education, and health insurance.

He has successfully represented clients in all aspects of state and federal litigation, including complex e-Discovery, motion practice, fact and expert depositions and bench and jury trials. He also leads and counsels clients in sensitive internal investigations that have included allegations of sexual harassment, discrimination, and employee misconduct.

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