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TUCKER ELLIS EXPANDS IN CALIFORNIA WITH CONNOR, FLETCHER AND HEDENKAMP LLP MERGER

Tucker Ellis LLP is pleased to announce a merger with Connor, Fletcher & Hedenkamp LLP (CFH), a business litigation firm based in Irvine, California. This merger will enhance Tucker Ellis's existing national business litigation and trial practice, adding six attorneys, two staff members, and a new office in Orange County, expanding the firm's footprint in California.

Joining Tucker Ellis are CFH partners **Edmond Connor**, **Matt Fletcher**, and **Douglas Hedenkamp**. Existing Tucker Ellis partner **David Steele** will also reside in the firm's Orange County office. CFH attorneys **Vasko Alexander**, **Andrew Johnson**, and **Tyler Palmer** will round out the Orange County roster.

"We chose Tucker Ellis because it best matched the culture of the law firm Ed Connor had already established when I joined as an associate in 1999," **Matt Fletcher** said. "We are proud of our firm and all we have been able to achieve together. Tucker Ellis has a deep bench in numerous practice areas, including a strong national business litigation and trial practice. This move will allow us to better serve our existing clients and readily attract new clients. Add to that the clear culture fit and we could not be more excited about our future with Tucker Ellis."

Tucker Ellis Managing Partner **Joe Morford** commented, "CFH is a high-quality business litigation firm with a significant and well-earned client following. We've worked with them on several matters over the past several months and it has been a terrific experience for all involved – especially the clients. The quality of their team, both as professionals and as people, was an immediate fit for us. They are the perfect next step as we continue to build out our national business litigation and trial practices."

The Orange County office is located at 2211 Michelson Drive, Suite 1100, Irvine, CA 92612.

About Tucker Ellis LLP

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