

## VLP Law Group LLP Continues Growth with Addition of Partner Edward Kwok to the Firm's Intellectual Property Practice Group

Palo Alto, CA (August 15, 2016) – VLP Law Group LLP is pleased to announce that Edward Kwok has joined the firm's Intellectual Property Practice Group as a partner based in Silicon Valley, California.

Mr. Kwok's practice focuses on patent prosecution and *Inter Partes* adverse proceedings before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, and intellectual property litigations in state and federal courts. With more than 25 years as a technology attorney, his in-depth knowledge of technology and science has proven to be a valuable asset to his clients in both patent portfolio development and in the court room. Mr. Kwok has represented clients in patent prosecution, post-grant proceedings, patent and trade secrets litigations, IP portfolio management and disposition, due diligence in M&A transactions, freedom-to-operate, patent infringement, validity and enforceability opinions, and licensing.

"We are pleased to welcome Ed to our Intellectual Property practice. His experience in electrical engineering and computer science, including practical experience as an engineer in Silicon Valley prior to becoming a patent attorney, complements our group and deepens our expertise across all technology sectors", said David Roise, Co-Chair of VLP's Intellectual Property Practice Group. "We're very pleased to have Ed join the VLP team."

Prior to joining VLP, Mr. Kwok was a Partner with Hogan Lovells US LLP. He earned his law degree from Santa Clara University School of Law. In addition, he holds a Master's degree in electrical engineering and computer science from the University of California, Berkeley, and a Bachelor's degree from Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He was a research and development engineer for many years before becoming an attorney. Mr. Kwok is fluent in written Chinese and speaks Mandarin Chinese (普通話) and Cantonese.

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