

### Sheppard Mullin Continues Strategic Growth in Bay Area

#### New Partners in Palo Alto and San Francisco Strengthen Firm's Local and National Corporate Practice

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Sheppard Mullin is pleased to announce that partners John H. Booher and Eric A. Newsom have joined the firm's Palo Alto and San Francisco offices, respectively. Booher joins from Hogan Lovells LLP and Newsom from Manatt Phelps & Phillips, LLP, where he was co-chair of the Corporate and Finance Practice Group and a member of the Healthcare Division. Since January 2018, Sheppard Mullin has added 19 lateral partners across 6 offices as well as opening a new office in Dallas.

"Growing our corporate practice in the Bay Area – and nationally – has been an ongoing strategic goal for us, so John and Eric are ideal additions," said Jon Newby, Sheppard Mullin's Vice-Chairman. "They both have significant experience in healthcare, which dovetails nicely with our strong national healthcare practice, and their overall deep skills across the spectrum of corporate work further strengthens our capabilities."

Commenting on the expansion of the firm's corporate practice, Co-Practice Group Leader of the firm's Corporate and Securities Practice Group Linda Michaelson said, "We're thrilled to have John and Eric joining us. Our nationally recognized corporate group has added partners in a number of key locations this year and now having John and Eric on our team further boosts our team in northern California and beyond."

Booher's practice focuses on mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures and strategic transactions (primarily in the healthcare industry), private equity and emerging growth/venture capital. In addition to healthcare, Booher has significant experience in the aerospace and defense/telecommunications industries, particularly with respect to the satellite sector. Known for his service and dedication to clients, Booher was selected as a BTI Client Service "MVP" in 2017 for having been selected two years in a row (2016-2017) by BTI as an "All-Star Attorney." Booher received a B.A. from the College of William & Mary and a J.D. from Harvard Law School.

Newsom focuses his practice on mergers and acquisitions, private equity investment transactions, securities offerings, complex joint ventures and corporate governance and compliance matters. He has extensive experience representing health plans, academic medical centers and multi-hospital health systems, ambulatory and specialty care providers and physician groups, as well as private equity funds and other institutional healthcare investors, in major healthcare transactions and reorganization efforts. In addition to his healthcare industry experience, Newsom has advised a variety of clients in the technology and food and beverage industries. A significant portion of Newsom's practice involves advising clients in connection with cross-border transactions, whether engaging foreign counsel to assist domestic clients in managing offshore assets, or

representing foreign clients in sales to, or joint ventures with, U.S.-based businesses. Newsom received a B.A. from the University of California, Davis and a J.D. from the University of San Francisco School of Law.

Sheppard Mullin has 32 attorneys based in its Palo Alto office and 100 attorneys in San Francisco. The firm's Corporate practice group includes more than 170 attorneys.

## Attorneys

John H. Booher

Eric A. Newsom

## Practice Areas

Corporate

Emerging Company & Venture Capital

Joint Ventures and Strategic Alliances

Mergers and Acquisitions

Private Equity

## Industries

Aerospace, Defense & Government Services

Healthcare

Life Sciences