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## **Michelman & Robinson Lands Blank & Rome Litigator**

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Law360, New York (February 10, 2011) -- Michelman & Robinson LLP has rounded out its commercial and business litigation department with a leading contracts and intellectual property attorney from the ranks of Blank & Rome LLP.

Michelman & Robinson announced Thursday that Andrew F. Kim has joined the firm's Los Angeles office as a partner, bringing a formidable background in complex commercial litigation and years of trial experience.

"I came to Michelman & Robinson because it boasts top flight talent, clients and cases," Kim said. "The firm's lawyers can handle virtually any matter that I can realistically envision my clients confronting. At the same time, its size permits a nimbleness and an intimacy that will be of great help to my clients."

While Kim considers himself a general commercial litigator and trial lawyer, with a practice that runs the gamut of business litigation, he has developed a particular expertise in breach of contract, business tort and intellectual property matters.

Much of Kim's work has involved individuals and companies in the entertainment sector. Case in point, he is currently representing an owner of radio stations in Southern California against wrongful termination allegations, The Temptations singing group in a suit against their former manager and a company that has launched an exclusive concierge service for professional athletes.

Kim emphasized that he also works broadly on corporate and transactional matters, and is currently advising a burgeoning cigar distributor as it expands into new business areas.

Kim's achievements are underpinned by a commitment to clients and a zeal for the work, particularly the strategizing required to guide a case or product to its fullest realization.

"My work requires that I learn constantly, and, as a 20-year lawyer, I like to think I also do a fair bit of teaching," Kim said.

Kim has distinguished himself as a capable trial attorney, helming cases in state and federal court as well as mediation proceedings, according to the firm.

In addition to notching favorable settlements for his clients, Kim has taken numerous cases to trial, winning hefty judgments for clients in intellectual property, entertainment and business disputes.

Michelman & Robinson said that Kim's arrival represents an instant gain for clients and colleagues alike, boosting not only the established excellence of the litigation department but also adding new capabilities based on Kim's particular knowledge of contractual and intellectual property issues.

Todd H. Stitt, chair of Michelman & Robinson's commercial and business litigation department, said he was thrilled to add Kim's versatility and talents to the firm's litigation team.

"Andy is a remarkable attorney with a proven track record of success. He will make an immediate impact on our litigation practice," Stitt said.

Michelman & Robinson is a full service law firm with roughly 20 business litigators in offices in L.A., San Francisco, Sacramento and Orange County, Calif., and New York and New Jersey.

The firm's rolodex of clients includes Fortune 500 companies, financial institutions, government agencies as well as midsized businesses, startups and individuals.

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