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## ARMSTRONG TEASDALE ADDS ATTORNEYS IN DENVER AND ST. LOUIS

Armstrong Teasdale proudly announces the addition of three attorneys – Of Counsel <u>Donald D. Raymond Jr.</u>, and Associates Christopher R. Johnson and <u>Rhys J. Williams</u>.

Raymond joins the firm's Intellectual Property practice group in St. Louis. Both in the United States and abroad, he prepares and prosecutes patent applications. Registered to practice before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Raymond counsels inventors, engineers and in-house counsel through all stages of the patent application process. He focuses on matters relating to the computer, electrical and electromechanical fields. Raymond prepares noninfringement and invalidity opinions and patentability, due diligence and patent landscape analyses. In these matters, he assists clients in pre-litigation enforcement of patent rights by performing initial infringement analyses, providing tailored patent enforcement strategies, preparing cease and desist letters, and negotiating settlement agreements. In addition to handling patents, Raymond guides in the licensing of trademarks and copyrights and in various aspects of technology law.

**Johnson** joins the firm's Corporate Services practice group in Denver. His practice is primarily focused on the representation of corporate clients in several industries with regard to mergers and acquisitions, organizational formation and structure, venture and equity capital, public offerings and private placements of debt and equity securities, securities filings and periodic reporting, corporate governance, and other general business transactions and operational matters. As former in-house counsel for a publicly traded bank holding company and its subsidiary bank, Johnson possesses a unique appreciation for his clients' focus on bottom line results and takes a pragmatic approach to providing efficient and responsive service.

**Williams** joins the firm's Financial and Real Estate Services practice group in St. Louis. He focuses on banking and debtor and creditor rights. Williams represents clients in commercial transactions and related finance matters involving debtor and creditor rights, lender liability, bankruptcy, restructurings and workouts. He routinely counsels both creditors and debtors on methods of insuring that their respective interests are protected. He also helps lenders

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assess and secure collateral by reviewing loan documents.