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**PAUL CLEMENT, FORMER SOLICITOR GENERAL, JOINS BANCROFT PLLC**

Washington, D.C. - Paul D. Clement, the 43<sup>rd</sup> Solicitor General of the United States, has joined the firm of Bancroft PLLC as Partner. Mr. Clement served as Solicitor General from June 2005 until June 2008. Prior to his service as Solicitor General, Mr. Clement served at the U.S. Department of Justice for more than five years, first as Principal Deputy Solicitor General, then as Acting Solicitor General. He has argued 53 cases before the U.S. Supreme Court, including *McConnell v. FEC*, *Tennessee v. Lane*, *Rumsfeld v. Padilla*, *Credit Suisse v. Billing*, *United States v. Booker*, *MGM v. Grokster*, *Perdue v. Kenny A.* and *United States v. Bond*. He has received numerous awards and extensive recognition for his advocacy and pro bono work.

Mr. Clement joins Founding Partner Viet D. Dinh, former U.S. Assistant Attorney General and law professor at Georgetown University Law Center, and Partner H. Christopher Bartolomucci, who served in the White House from 2001 to 2003 as Associate Counsel to the President.

According to Dinh, "Paul has argued 53 Supreme Court cases and knocked them out of the park. He earned the respect of all the Justices and wowed the bar. Clients trust Paul and Bancroft with their biggest cases and toughest problems. Paul is a perfect fit with Bancroft, where we are building the next great law firm."

"I have known my Bancroft partners for more than 20 years," Mr. Clement said. "They put clients first and deliver results. Bancroft offers its clients premier talent, without all the baggage of a mega firm. We are shaking up the D.C. legal establishment."

Mr. Clement received the Edmund Randolph Award, the Justice Department's highest honor. Among his many honors, Clement received the Rex Lee Advocacy Award for Outstanding Advocacy, and StreetLaw's Chesterfield Smith Award for his contributions to the law and public service. Clement was a finalist for the Public Justice Foundation's 2010 Trial Lawyer of the Year award for his work on a landmark prisoner rights case.

A native of Cedarburg, Wisconsin, and a graduate of its public schools, Mr. Clement received his bachelor's degree *summa cum laude* from the Georgetown University School of Foreign Service, and a master's degree in economics from Cambridge University. He graduated *magna cum laude* from Harvard Law School, where he was the Supreme Court editor of the *Harvard Law Review*.

Following graduation, Mr. Clement clerked for Judge Laurence H. Silberman of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit, and for Associate Justice Antonin Scalia of the U.S. Supreme Court. Mr. Clement went on to serve as Chief Counsel of the U.S. Senate Subcommittee on the Constitution, Federalism and Property Rights.

Mr. Clement has served as an Adjunct or Visiting Professor at the Georgetown University Law Center since 1998, where he teaches a seminar along with Mr. Dinh on the separation of powers. He also serves as a Senior Fellow of the Law Center's Supreme Court Institute.

Bancroft PLLC litigates high-stakes cases and solves complex problems. The firm's clients include Fortune 500 companies, corporate boards and board members, major universities, and individuals. Founded by former U.S. Assistant Attorney General and law professor Viet D. Dinh, the firm's professionals have extensive leadership experience in government, law, and business. They use this unique blend of expertise to offer creative and interdisciplinary solutions to high-stakes problems. The firm's practice areas include complex and Supreme Court litigation, civil and criminal government investigations and proceedings, executive clemency, corporate governance, and national security and USA PATRIOT ACT compliance.

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