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## **New San Jose Law Firm Focused on Complex Litigation** *Vantress Law Group Provides Trial, Litigation, Dispute Resolution Services*

**San Jose, Calif. –Sept. 28, 2009** – Seasoned trial attorney and litigator Robert M. Vantress announced today the formation of Vantress Law Group, a new San Jose boutique firm that is focused on complex litigation matters including intellectual property, computer and Internet, employment, real estate and other complex or commercial disputes. Vantress was formally with international law firm Baker & McKenzie and co-founded Silicon Valley Law Group, a business law firm, 15 years ago.

"Given the current changes that are occurring in the business, financial and legal markets, it is the right time for a highly specialized litigation law firm that can provide top quality service," said Vantress, who has 27 years of expertise resolving litigation matters. "A smaller more focused practice with lower overhead can offer clients the same quality services but at significantly lower cost structure, and remain competitive despite today's demanding economic market."

The firm provides a full range of trial, litigation and dispute resolution services, representing both corporations and individuals during discovery, trial and appeal. Vantress Law Group helps clients prevent, resolve, win and fund litigation, including arbitration or trial if necessary.

"Rob Vantress is a top-drawer litigator, has tried more cases than most litigators, so his trial light is always on as he evaluates and re-evaluates evidence and builds the trial in his head. Ironically, this is precisely the kind of thinking that brings to settlement those cases that should never go to trial," said Lee Green, general counsel at K-Swiss. "I don't think I have ever worked with anyone who can outwork Rob or who has ever been better prepared for a hearing, a deposition, or trial. His experience and skills were critical to K-Swiss in our long trademark and trade dress litigation against Payless ShoeSource and our very successful settlement of that case."

Vantress has successfully represented individuals and small to medium-sized businesses against large corporations such as Payless ShoeSource and Oracle Corporation. Most clients are based in Silicon Valley; however he has appeared or tried cases in many California cities and throughout the United States. Vantress has achieved positive outcomes for his clients as he opposed large, well-known national law firms including Latham & Watkins, Fenwick & West, Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliff, Morgan, Lewis & Bockius, Baker & McKenzie, McDermott, Will & Emery and Lathrop & Gage.

The three primary Vantress Law Group Practice Areas are:

- Intellectual property, Computer & Internet, including copyright, patent, trademark, trade dress, trade secret and related unfair competition claims; i.e., protection of a business' most valuable assets, including protection of its name, domain name or URL, reputation, style of doing business, business methodology, goodwill, contracts, customers and customer information, employees, confidential information, computers and networks, website content and original media.
- Labor and employment, i.e., Ownership of property and inventions, protection of trade secrets and other confidential information including inventions, customer information and customer lists, employee information, product specifications and marketing and business plans, hiring, discipline or other employment discrimination, retaliation, family medial leave, termination and wage and hour claims, defamation, violation of civil rights, sexual harassment, whistle blowing, employment policies and procedures and contracts, executive compensation, and training both for human resources departments and other staff;
- Real estate; i.e., Sales, lease, license, construction payments and defects, financing and development, condominium, easements, nuisance and noise, water and earth movement disputes, and real estate agency or commission disputes

## About Robert Vantress

Prior to forming Vantress Law Group, Robert Vantress was a founding shareholder of Silicon Valley Law Group, and where he chaired the litigation department. Previously he was with Baker & McKenzie, the world's largest international law firm. Vantress has tried numerous commercial cases in federal and state court and arbitration tribunals, is admitted to practice before all California state and federal trial and appellate courts, and regularly practices before private forums such as JAMs and the American Arbitration Association. He earned his J.D. at the University of California, Hastings College of Law and his B.S. in Business Administration at University of California, Berkeley.

Consistently rated "excellent" and "distinguished" by his peers and attorney rating services such as Martindale-Hubbell® Lawyers.com and <u>avvo.com</u>, Vantress holds the highest rating possible for his ethical standards. Vantress received the Northern California "Super Lawyers" distinction by San Francisco Magazine and Law & Politics Media, based on a peer review rating, which distinction is reserved for the top 3% of Northern California lawyers.

## About Vantress Law Group

Vantress Law Group handles a wide range of business contract and tort disputes, antitrust, trade secret, patent, copyright, trademark, trade dress and other unfair competition, real estate, lease, construction, mechanic's lien, consumer credit and consumer fraud, civil rights, business and securities fraud, shareholder, partner, fiduciary, trust, professional negligence, employment discrimination, termination and wage and hour claims, insurance coverage, defense, indemnity and suretyship matters, as well as referring out, overseeing, assisting or coordinating the efforts needed in patent prosecution and trademark prosecution, probate, family law, criminal and other matters usually handled by qualified specialists in only those areas. www.vantresslaw.com