

On the Move

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SAN FRANCISCO



Lisa Lawson, co-founder of Pennington Lawson
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Thomas Whitelaw has added **Jeffrey Commisso** as a partner. Commisso, who was previously with Schiff Hardin, focuses on business litigation, including matters involving unfair competition, class actions, trade secret misappropriation, antitrust and securities violations. He earned his J.D. from University of San Francisco School of Law in 1997.

Beth Pennington and **Lisa Lawson** have founded real estate and employment law firm **Pennington Lawson**. Pennington and Lawson were most recently at Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker. Pennington is a 1992 graduate of Boston University School of Law and Lawson graduated from UCLA School of Law in 1993.

Weintraub Genshlea Chediak has opened a new office on Market Street in San Francisco. It is the Sacramento-based firm's third office; in April, Weintraub set up shop in Los Angeles.



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SILICON VALLEY

Sidley Austin has added **Pamela Martinson** as a partner in its Palo Alto office. Martinson, formerly of Bingham McCutchen, focuses her practice on finance and lending. She received her J.D. from Harvard Law School in 1989.

Dr. Lauren Stevens has joined **Foley & Lardner** as of counsel in the Palo Alto office. Stevens, most recently at Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett & Dunner, is a member of the intellectual property department in the chemical, biotechnology and pharmaceutical practice. She graduated from Stanford Law School in 1992.