

Leading IP Attorney Scott E. Thompson, Former Mars Inc. General Counsel, Joins Lippes Mathias Wexler Friedman LLP as Partner



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**BUFFALO, N.Y.** – April 22, 2021 – Lippes Mathias Wexler Friedman LLP is pleased to announce Scott E. Thompson has joined the firm as Partner. Scott, a leading national and international voice in intellectual property law, brings 38 years of experience representing Fortune 100 companies in matters including trademark, copyright, patent, unfair competition, advertising, Internet, and social media matters. Scott will serve as Co-Leader of Lippes Mathias' Intellectual Property Practice Team.

"Scott is a lawyer's lawyer. His experience is second-to-none and provides significant advantage to our clients in intellectual property matters," said Kevin J. Cross, managing partner, Lippes Mathias. "Another milestone in our firm's sustained growth to meet our business clients' needs, Scott's pedigree leading the Intellectual Property departments at some of the world's largest companies is proof positive of his ability."

"A number of colleagues were surprised, why Lippes they asked?" said Scott E. Thompson, partner, Lippes Mathias. "I picked Lippes over large, global firms because of Lippes' mission of being affordable for more clients, flexible in providing clients access to services, and nimble to meet clients where they are as their legal partner. Seeing the world through the eyes of an in-house counsel, Lippes brings the client-firm relationship I would want as a client to life."

Before joining Lippes Mathias, Scott served as General Counsel - Intellectual Property/Marketing Properties with Mars Incorporated, leading a team of more than 50 in-house intellectual property and marketing properties professionals. At Mars, Inc., one of the largest privately held companies in the world, Scott was responsible for all Intellectual Property (trademarks, copyrights, trade secrets, patents, technology, R&D and Innovation) matters and was a member of the Legal Leadership Team which has global responsibility for legal matters facing the company. In addition to his experience at Mars, Inc., Scott has more than three decades of combined experience at Philip Morris Companies, Colgate-Palmolive and GlaxoSmithKline, and two large international law firms.

Since 2011, the World Trademark Review has ranked Scott as one of the world's leading trademark professionals.

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