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## **Baker Brings High-Flying Crowell IP Litigator To Costa Mesa**

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Law360, New York (February 03, 2012, 5:45PM ET) -Baker Hostetler has landed a renowned patent litigator and former U.S. Air Force captain from Crowell & Moring LLP to join its intellectual property group as a partner in Costa Mesa, Calif., the firm announced Thursday.

R. Scott Feldmann, who formerly served as an intellectual property partner in Crowell's Irvine, Calif., branch, on Jan. 17 brought his technological expertise and courtroom prowess to Baker as the firm looks to boost its IP capabilities.

John H. Weber, chairman of Baker's intellectual property, technology and media group, on Wednesday trumpeted the firm's newest partner.

"Scott is a tremendous addition to our intellectual property team," Weber said. "His litigation work complements our appellate work and furthers our strategic commitment to the continued growth and expansion of our intellectual property capabilities across the country and abroad."

George Mooradian, the partner-in-charge of Baker's Costa Mesa office, was similarly ebullient.

"We are pleased to welcome Scott to Baker Hostetler. With his extensive experience, he is an excellent addition to our already strong team of lawyers who handle a wide variety of complex intellectual property matters," Mooradian said.

An accomplished litigator, Feldmann has gone to court for clients in a range of patent, copyright, trade secrets, trademark, breach of fiduciary duty and unfair competition cases. Though he has tried cases involving a variety of industries, Feldmann specializes in regions related to content, software, computers and the online sector.

Feldmann told Law360 on Friday that it was the complex interplay between technology and law that kept him interested in intellectual property matters.

"The law's always lagging behind technology, so there are opportunities to make novel arguments," he said. "You're trying to be a communicator of technologies, and your technical background is brought to bear in the courtroom."

Prior to joining Crowell in 2003, Feldmann worked with global management consultant group AT Kearney Inc., where he advised firm clients on strategic investment.

Before entering the business sector, Feldmann served in the armed forces, attaining the rank of captain rank in the Air Force. Within the Air Force, Feldmann developed his technological proficiency in serving as a test director of the military branch's electronic warfare and space programs.

In looking ahead to his goals at his newest employer, Feldmann said Baker put him in the position to do great things.

"I'm very excited about the high quality of the attorneys there," he said. "It's a strong and growing IP practice, and I'm looking forward to continuing to grow the practice and win cases."

Feldmann received his law degree from the University of California, Berkeley School of Law in 1993. He received a master's of science degree in electrical engineering from the Air Force Institute of Technology in 1984 and a second master's degree in strategic management from the University of Southern California in 1988.

He earned his undergraduate engineering degree from Vanderbilt University in 1982.

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