

Mayer Brown Adds Wilson Sonsini Privacy Pro In Calif.

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Law360 (January 3, 2024, 4:29 PM EST) -- Mayer Brown LLP has expanded its litigation team, announcing Wednesday it brought on a Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati PC corporate litigator as a partner in its Northern California offices in San Francisco and Palo Alto.

Anthony "Tony" Weibell has joined Mayer Brown's litigation and dispute resolution practice after spending more than 10 years at Wilson Sonsini. He serves as litigation counsel for technology companies in civil litigation matters including consumer class actions, privacy, intellectual property, antitrust, false advertising, contractual disputes and more.

His clients include Google, Netflix, Roblox, SanDisk, Symantec, TikTok, Twitter and YouTube.

Weibell recently represented TikTok and ByteDance against a proposed privacy class action over the collection of users' data on third-party websites.

He has also represented Google in multiple cases, including a recent privacy case concerning tracking user communications.

Weibell is also an arbitrator and a member of the Academy of Court-Appointed Neutrals. He has adjudicated hundreds of civil matters.

"Mayer Brown is a very collaborative firm with a robust platform of national class action, data privacy and technology litigators, where my consumer privacy and internet law practice will thrive," Weibell said in a statement. "We are seeing courts and regulators take a much more expansive view of privacy laws — turning yesterday's standard privacy practices into today's privacy nightmares for companies that handle consumer data. I look forward to working with the firm's top litigators to defend clients across industries in these cutting-edge matters."

Richard Spehr, the leader of Mayer Brown's global litigation and dispute resolution practice, spoke highly of Weibell.

"Tony is a well-regarded Silicon Valley litigator and counselor whose broad-based litigation practice dovetails nicely with our prominent team of more than 500 litigators," Spehr said in a statement.

Lee Rubin, the leader of Mayer Brown's litigation and dispute resolution practice in Northern California, notes Weibell is joining at a good time since privacy class actions and internet class action-related

litigation is at an all-time high in the Golden State and around the country.

"Tony's wealth of experience in consumer privacy and internet law will further enhance Mayer Brown's strong practice in this key area and will be a significant advantage for our clients in these high-stakes matters," Rubin said in a statement.

Weibell earned his law degree from Brigham Young University Law School after earning both his bachelor's and master's degree in civil and environmental engineering at Brigham Young University.

Mayer Brown, which was founded in 1881 in Chicago, now has more than 1,900 attorneys across 27 locations worldwide, with nine offices in the United States. The firm has two locations in Northern California: San Francisco and Palo Alto.

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