



PRESS RELEASE

Woodsford announces further expansion, with key strategic hires on its tenth anniversary

Appointment of IP heavyweight Nagendra (Nick) Setty (San Francisco) and Dan Kesack (New York) illustrates continued robust growth as the company reaches its ten-year milestone

LONDON, 14 September 2020, Woodsford, the global provider of litigation financing solutions for businesses, individuals and law firms, has announced further expansion of its global team with the appointment of Nick Setty to its *Investment Advisory Panel* and Dan Kesack as *Investment Officer* in the executive team.

[Nick Setty](#), an intellectual property trial lawyer for 25 years, held numerous law firm leadership positions and was partner in international firms Orrick, Fish & Richardson, and Jones Day. He was named IP Lawyer of the Year (Washington) in his last year of practice.

[Dan Kesack](#), an experienced patent litigation attorney, joins Woodsford from New York boutique, Radulescu LLP, where he represented clients in all areas of patent litigation. Earlier in his career, Dan was an Associate at Weil, Gotshal and Manges. He holds a B.S. in nuclear engineering from Penn State University.

“Our business has grown and succeed over the last decade because of our winning combination of high quality capital and high quality professionals. The appointments of Nick and Dan illustrates the continued growth of our US operations and our position as the leading global funder of IP-related claims.” said Steven Friel, Woodsford’s CEO.

Nick Setty commented, “I’m excited to be joining a growing business that combines an impressive heritage and track-record with ambitious future plans. Woodsford has developed an expertise in the financing of IP-related disputes that is unmatched; I hope my expertise will facilitate further growth in this area.”

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About Woodsford

Founded in 2010 and with a presence in London, Philadelphia, New York, San Francisco, Toronto, Singapore, Brisbane and Tel Aviv, Woodsford provides tailored litigation financing solutions for businesses, individuals, and law firms. This includes single case and portfolio litigation funding and arbitration funding and the funding of collective actions. Woodsford's Executive team blends extensive business experience with world-class legal expertise.

Woodsford is a founder member of both the *International Legal Finance Association (ILFA)* and the *Association of Litigation Funders of England & Wales (ALF)*. Woodsford's Chief Operating Officer, Jonathan Barnes, sits on the board of both organisations.

Woodsford is continuing to recruit, seeking litigation lawyers to join as Investment Officers, and legal and other professionals to joins the Business Development team.

Interviews, photos and biographies available on request.

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