



## HOLWELL SHUSTER & GOLDBERG NAMES AVI ISRAELI PARTNER

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**N**ew York—Holwell Shuster & Goldberg LLP announced today that it has promoted Avi Israeli to partner, making Mr. Israeli, 34, the first new partner to be named at the litigation firm since its founding in 2012.

“This is a true milestone for our firm,” said Judge Holwell, co-founder of the firm and a former federal judge in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. “Avi is a tremendous young talent, and he has been a perfect fit for Holwell Shuster & Goldberg from day one.”

Mr. Israeli joined Holwell Shuster & Goldberg shortly after its formation, becoming the firm’s first associate, after having previously worked with co-founding partners Michael Shuster, Daniel Goldberg, and Dorit Ungar Black at Kasowitz, Benson, Torres & Friedman in New York. He has played a prominent role in several of the firm’s notable engagements, including the defense of LimeWire and its founder in a copyright infringement case, the trial arising out of the demise of a prominent distressed debt hedge fund, and the prosecution of a multitude of “putback” actions seeking to recoup billions of dollars in losses sustained by major financial institutions in connection with the residential mortgage crisis.

“I’m thrilled to become a partner with this group of lawyers, who I have such great respect for,” said Mr. Israeli. “I’ve watched the incredible growth of this firm first-hand, from day one, and to support it further as a partner will be a great honor and privilege.”

In 2013, just the first full year of operation at the firm, Holwell Shuster & Goldberg’s rapid growth necessitated a move to new offices at 125 Broad Street in Manhattan. In addition to promoting Mr. Israeli to the partnership, the firm started 2014 with the hiring of six additional lawyers, bringing the firm’s total to 23.

Before working at Kasowitz, Mr. Israeli worked as an associate at Jones Day following his graduation from Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law. He then clerked for the Honorable Marcia G. Cooke of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida, where he participated in the celebrated Jose Padilla trial.

### ATTORNEYS

Avi Israeli