

Thompson Coburn Brings On Buchalter Litigator In LA

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[Thompson Coburn LLP](#) is growing its West Coast team, announcing Monday it is adding a [Buchalter PC](#) business litigator as a partner in its Los Angeles office.



Daniel Wu

Daniel Wu represents banks, financial institutions and business entities in complex commercial litigation. He spent the past five years at Buchalter.

In a Monday afternoon interview, Wu told Law360 he wanted to be at a firm where he could grow his practice.

"I wanted to look for a platform where the firm has a footprint which more closely matched with my existing clients, so I could expand the client relationships. I wanted to be able to literally expand what I could do for my clients nationwide," Wu said. "Buchalter is a great firm, great people. But in terms of providing what my clients need, and what I want to do in the future with my existing clients, I felt that Thompson Coburn was the right move at the right time."

He said the size and reputation of Thompson Coburn especially felt right.

"I like what the firm stands for. I was very attracted to what the firm's values were, the inclusion of the firm and the diversity," Wu said. "I also like the size of the firm. In my past experiences, this is the perfect size for me in terms of what it is I want to offer and what the firm could offer."

He was also really impressed with the people he was going to be working with.

"I've met with a lot of [Thompson Coburn] lawyers before making a decision to join the firm," Wu said. "Each and every single one of them has been impressive. They're just genuinely good people. In this industry, it's not a sprint, it's a marathon. The people who we practice with are critical to not only your success but your clients' success."

Thompson Coburn chair Roman Wuller speaks highly of Wu.

"Daniel brings over two decades of experience as a commercial litigator and a proven track record of success," Wuller said in a statement. "His addition not only strengthens our team but also underscores our commitment to strategic growth in Los Angeles."

Jennifer Post, managing partner of the firm's Los Angeles office, is happy to have Wu on the team.

"Daniel's work with banks and financial institutions will nicely complement our already-strong practice in financial services," Post said. "His practice enhances the depth of our services in Los Angeles and will provide great value to our clients."

Thompson Coburn was formed in 1996 via the merger of two St. Louis law firms that date back to the 1910s. Today, the firm has about 400 attorneys in eight offices nationwide.

Wu, who grew up in New York, earned his law degree in 1998 from Pepperdine University School of Law after earning his bachelor's degree in biology and biological sciences from the University of California, Berkeley.

He worked four years as an associate with Soni Law Firm in Pasadena,

California, and in 2004, he moved to [Wood Smith Henning & Berman LLP](#), according to his LinkedIn profile.

In 2006, Wu joined [Carroll Burdick & McDonough LLP](#) in Los Angeles, staying almost 10 years. In 2016, he joined [Squire Patton Boggs LLP](#) and then in 2019, he moved to Buchalter.

Wu enjoys litigation because it keeps him on his toes.

"It's all about strategy," Wu said. "I like the strategy in terms of handling a case from beginning to end. I love being in court. I love the fact litigation is strategic and challenging. I like the fact when you achieve what you want out of the litigation, there's no better feeling. I absolutely, absolutely love it."

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