

## COVID-19: Rothwell Figg Remains Fully Operational

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Dear colleagues and clients,

The health and safety of our employees, clients, colleagues, and their families are of utmost importance to Rothwell Figg. Accordingly, in light of the current guidance from the Center for Disease Control (CDC) regarding COVID-19, as of Monday, March 16, 2020, we are offering all attorneys and staff the opportunity to work from home. During this time, the firm will remain fully operational.

Fortunately, our technology allows our employees to handle all matters in a secure environment from their homes. Attorneys and staff have the same access to e-mail, documents, and resources that they have while in the office. Telephone calls to a firm employee's direct office line or the firm's general number are automatically forwarded to the employee. As always, attorneys and staff are available for conference calls and video conferences.

Many U.S. courts and agencies are holding hearings telephonically, and our attorneys have already participated in such hearings. We will continue to make electronic filings with courts and the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) in a timely manner. As of this writing, all USPTO offices are closed to the public; however, USPTO operations will continue and patent and trademark deadlines will remain unchanged, with video conferences and conference calls being held in lieu of in-person meetings. The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit is restricting access to the National Courts Building, and the court has indicated that it will notify parties about the status of individual cases.

While we will continue to monitor the situation and follow guidance from the CDC, we want to let our clients and colleagues know that Rothwell Figg will remain responsive to their needs and handle matters efficiently and effectively, while ensuring the safety of our employees.

As usual, please feel free to reach out to any of your attorney contacts at Rothwell Figg. We wish you and your family good health during these unusual times.