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Weil swoops for three-strong IP team from Latham

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Weil Gotshal & Manges has hired a three-partner IP team in the US from Latham & Watkins, in a move that sees two of the new recruits return to their former firm.

Partners Jeff Homrig, Gabriel Gross and Doug Lumish have joined Weil after spending over 12 years at Latham. All three arrived at Latham together in 2013 from Kasowitz Benson Torres Friedman, having previously worked alongside one another for several years.

Notably, Homrig and Lumish will serve as co-chairs of Weil's IP, technology and science litigation practice.

"We know Doug and Jeff well from their previous work at Weil and are delighted to welcome them and Gabe as true leaders in the field as we continue to expand our capabilities in Texas, California and around the world," said Weil's executive partner Barry Wolf, who was [interviewed by *The Lawyer* this summer](#).

For Homrig and Lumish, the move marks a return to familiar territory. Lumish spent 15 years at Weil between 1996 and 2011, while Homrig was there for a decade from 2001 before the pair left together for Kasowitz. They were joined by Gross the following year, before the trio moved to Latham.

Homrig was vice chair of Latham's IP litigation practice, handling a broad range of disputes spanning patents, trade secrets, oil and gas and financial matters. He has led multiple cases for email security company Vade, and was trial counsel for Google and YouTube in a patent battle with the University of California, a case he handled alongside Lumish.

Lumish's practice covers heavyweight technology and media clients including Adobe, Google, Disney, eBay and Comcast. He is representing Comcast in its ongoing disputes with Rovi, and previously advised Google and YouTube in the University of California matter in 2021.

Gross, who before Kasowitz was a partner at Quinn Emanuel's Silicon Valley office, co-chaired Latham's national trial advocacy training programme. He has significant experience as a first-chair trial lawyer in complex disputes across the life sciences, software, hardware and biotech sectors.

On arrival at Weil, Gross and Lumish will be based in Silicon Valley, while Homrig will sit in Texas as the firm continues to grow its US litigation offering in the technology sector.