

Meland Budwick, P.A. Announces Gil Ben-Ezra Elevated to Partner and William White IV to Of Counsel

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Miami | January 16, 2025 – Meland Budwick, P.A. announces the elevation of <u>Gil Ben-Ezra</u> to Partner and <u>William White IV</u> to Of Counsel. Since joining the Firm's commercial litigation and financial fraud practice groups in 2020, Gil has made significant contributions to the Firm's success. William joined the Firm in 2021, focusing his practice on real estate and corporate law. William leverages his knowledge in the commercial real estate industry to provide excellent service to his clients in lease negotiations, refinancing, and purchase and sale agreements.

Gil has played a pivotal role in the Firm's ongoing representation of Christina Lovato, the Chapter 7 bankruptcy trustee for DC Solar Solutions, Inc., helping to secure multimillion-dollar settlements, including over \$22 million from national banks, over \$15 million from DC Solar's accountants, \$20 million from an Am Law 100 law firm, \$11.25 million from DC Solar's accountants, and \$5.75 million from NASCAR. Gil has also successfully represented a wide range of Firm clients in other matters, including whistleblowers, shareholders, fiduciaries, and corporate clients. Fluent in Hebrew, Gil graduated from the University of Florida in 2012 and earned his J.D. with honors from The George Washington University Law School in 2015.

William counsels clients on a variety of legal issues associated with construction contracts and claims, construction loans, commercial real estate transactions, operating agreements for joint ventures, and developing compliance and risk-management programs. William earned his J.D. from Hofstra University School of Law in 2014.

"Gil and William are invaluable members of our team, and we are excited to elevate them to Partner and Of Counsel, respectively," said Eric Ostroff,



managing partner and chair of the Trade Secrets and Intellectual Property Practice Group. "Their exceptional legal skills and dedication to client success make them true assets to our firm."

About Meland Budwick

Meland Budwick, P.A. is a Miami-based law firm that provides services to a broad array of corporate, fiduciary and individual clients. The Firm was co-founded in 1993 by entrepreneurial, business-minded attorneys with a vision to create a results-focused, diverse firm that provides high-quality legal counsel along with a personalized, client-centric approach. As part of the Firm's culture of community service, Meland Budwick, P.A. attorneys are actively involved at high levels with the local bar associations and serve on the boards of numerous community organizations. The Firm's attorneys are recognized by Chambers and Partners and rated AV by Martindale-Hubbell. For more information, visit www.melandbudwick.com.