

## **Gregory Miller Joins Virtual Law Partners LLP**

**Palo Alto, CA** - Virtual Law Partners LLP is pleased to announce that Gregory Miller, corporate attorney and former managing director of Google's philanthropic arm, has joined the firm as a partner.

"Greg brings extraordinary breadth and depth of experience, particularly in technology trends, computing applications, innovation and in philanthropy," stated David Goldenberg, member of Virtual Law Partners' Executive Committee. "We are pleased that industry leaders and exceptional lawyers like Greg see VLP as a premier firm in which to practice."

"Virtual Law Partners is an ideal fit for me, both in its commitment to offering the highest quality legal services and in its business model that focuses on using technology and collaborative resources to eliminate unnecessary costs for clients," Greg stated. "As an entrepreneur, I find the combination of legal talent and innovative business structure particularly compelling. The flexibility of the firm also allows me to continue serving in other advisory roles, which was an important part of my decision."

VLP has continued its strong growth, and in recent months has added noted attorneys from large firms who believe VLP's unique, client-oriented and cost-effective model is the best platform for their practice. These attorneys include trademark attorney Brian Davis, who joined from Alston & Bird; employment attorney Stephen Lindo from Willkie Farr & Gallagher; environmental litigation and compliance attorney Lisa Wing Stone from O'Melveny & Myers; and insurance attorney Chiahua Pan from Morrison & Foerster.

### **About Gregory Miller**

In early 2006 Greg joined Google as Dr. Larry Brilliant's first key hire when launching Google's philanthropic arm, Google.org. Greg was Managing Director at Google.org through late 2009, leading its philanthropic investments, grants and legal teams. He was also chair of Google's philanthropic investment and corporate giving committees, and was CFO, Secretary and General Counsel of the Google Foundation.

As a part of the executive leadership team, Greg helped initiate and develop Google.org's programs and funding initiatives addressing global economic development, global public health and climate change. During that 3+ year tenure, Google.org grew to 42 persons, awarded approximately \$100 million with 120 grants, led 11 philanthropic investments, and was recognized in widespread news articles, blogs and conferences recognizing its data-driven, outcome-based approaches. As his "20% project," (Google's internal initiative in which employees may work up to 20% of their time on their own projects) Greg led executive production of *The Final Inch*, a Google.org film documenting current polio eradication efforts in India and Pakistan (2009 Academy Award nominee for Best Documentary -- Short Subject, and winner 2009 Pare Lorentz Award from the International Documentary Association).

Prior to Google, Greg worked with start-up companies, principally with businesses competing in the emerging internet, network security, communications and software markets, including as a partner with Silicon Valley's Gunderson Dettmer law firm and Of Counsel with Latham & Watkins, and as Sonicwall's (SNWL) first Senior VP & General Counsel following its IPO. He was

also on the launch team of Cometa Networks, one of the earliest 802.11b wifi deployment companies. Greg is also the founder of AppsYard.org, helping to design and build engineering applications to address global challenges, a director of the American Himalayan Foundation, a board advisor to FSG Social Impact Advisors, and Joie de Vivre Hotels. He has led and closed over 100 significant transactions, including many venture financings, public equity offerings totaling over \$3.8 billion, debt financings over \$13.5 billion, and acquisitions totaling over \$2.5 billion.

Greg lives in San Francisco, has a JD from University of Virginia Law School and has a BA in Economics and Philosophy from Colgate. Greg is an active TEDster, was a member of the launch team for TEDx Silicon Valley (Dec 2009 - Innovation in Social Change), and is the curator of the new TEDx Presidio Series.

### **About VLP**

Founded in 2008, VLP is a virtually connected and geographically distributed law firm. VLP currently has 40 attorneys, each with outstanding credentials and an average of more than 10 years of experience. VLP operates virtually, and VLP's proprietary technology platform allows the firm to collaborate easily and to operate with a small, highly specialized staff, passing the savings to clients through substantially lower rates or flat fee arrangements (generally 50% out of the cost of traditional legal services). VLP's practice reaches across multiple industry sectors, including high tech, financing and venture capital, life sciences, clean tech, tax and real estate, and represents clients that vary in size from early-stage startups to Fortune 500 companies. At VLP, we're dedicated to proving that expensive buildings don't provide great service – great people do.

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