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## Barton Snags 2 Commercial Litigation Partners From Mishcon

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Law360, New York (October 23, 2015, 10:10 PM ET) -- Barton LLP has snagged two Mishcon de Reya LLP complex commercial financial litigation partners, including Mishcon's former New York office managing partner, the firm announced Friday.

Former Mishcon managing partner and ex-federal prosecutor James McGuire and former Mishcon partner Mark Berube joined Barton's group of litigation specialists, the firm said.

Barton's "depth and breadth of industry experience set a precedent for boutique law firms and offer a collaborative environment that benefits our clients," McGuire said in a statement.

Barton says it focuses on a progressive approach to the business of law.

"I am proud to be a part of a team that truly makes an effort to understand our clients' needs and objectives and who pride themselves on managing litigation as a business," Berube said in a statement.

McGuire's experience as a prosecutor in the Southern District of New York's Criminal Division has included matters touching "securities, mail, wire and bank fraud, tax violations, money laundering, embezzlement, antitrust, bribery, habeas corpus, Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, [and] extradition," the firm said.

He earned his bachelor's degree at Yale University, was a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford and earned his law degree from Harvard Law School and a master of laws degree from the London School of Economics.

Berube has worked on matters including "fraud, breach of contract, interference with contract, defamation, and unfair practices ... securities and accounting fraud," antitrust, bankruptcy and RICO, the firm said.

He earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Massachusetts and his law degree from New York University School of Law.

Barton was one of Law360's 10 **boutique firms giving BigLaw a run for its money** this year. At fewer than 25 attorneys, it still offers well-rounded services in a number of practice areas including corporate and securities transactions, intellectual property, privacy and cybersecurity, immigration, real estate and wills, trusts and estate administration, Carey Bertolet, a managing partner at recruiting firm Laurence Simons International Group Ltd., told Law360.

The firm's current clients include a former contractor for Waterscape Resort LLC in an

ongoing \$11 million bankruptcy dispute and a shoemaker defending itself from allegations that it copied Converse Inc.'s trademarked Chuck Taylor sneaker.

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