

## **Goldman Ismail Continues Growth With Addition of Shayna Cook**

**CHICAGO - January 15, 2013** – Goldman Ismail LLP is pleased to announce that Shayna Cook has joined the firm as a partner in Chicago. Formerly of Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP, Cook’s practice focuses on product liability defense as well as commercial and intellectual property litigation.

“Shayna is an outstanding attorney who brings solid experience working with a range of clients,” said Melissa Widen, Goldman Ismail’s managing partner. “The addition of Shayna is a key part of the firm’s continued strategic growth.”

Cook has represented multinational clients in a variety of commercial litigation. Most notably, she has served as national trial counsel in major multidistrict litigation involving pharmaceutical product liability, including the Vioxx, Trasyolol and YAZ/Yasmin matters. She recently represented a large defense contractor in a trial in Washington, D.C. relating to a major government contract dispute.

Before Bartlit Beck, Cook was an attorney with the U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Division. She also was a clerk for federal judge Sam Sparks in Austin, Texas.

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