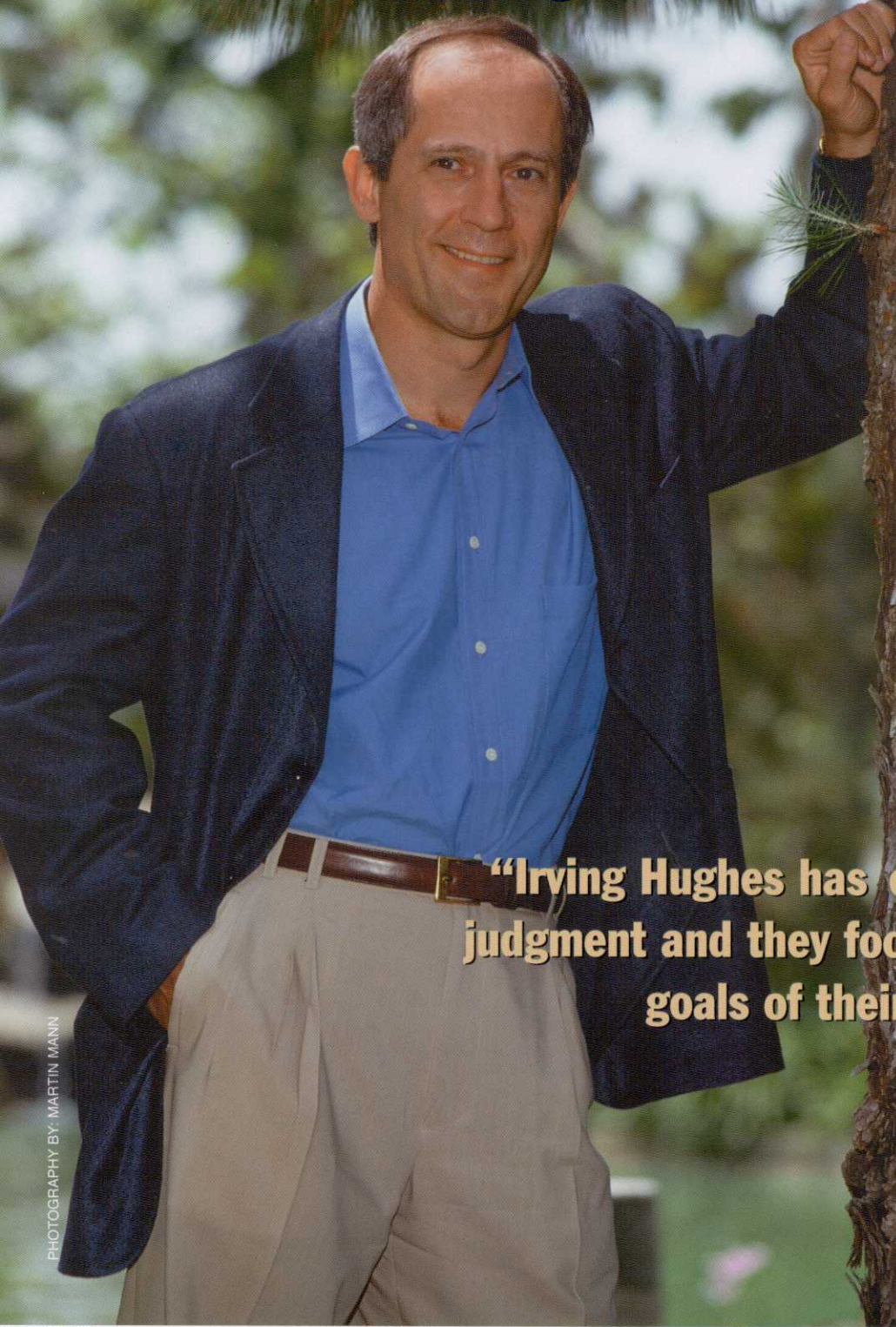


Insights from Frederick Muto, Partner in Charge of the San Diego office of Cooley Godward LLP



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Cooley Godward's mission is straightforward and simple: to be business partners and counselors to the country's leading technology companies by delivering superior legal services combined with excellent business judgment. With eight offices and 700 lawyers throughout the United States, this Silicon Valley-based firm is recognized as one of the leading law firms in the country for representing technology and life sciences companies.

Frederick Muto has been with Cooley Godward since 1980 and is a partner in the Business department and a member of the firm's Management Committee. In 1992, Muto became one of the founding partners of Cooley Godward's San Diego office. Since its relatively recent inception, the San Diego branch has grown to 67 associates and 20 partners who represent such leading technology companies as AMCC, Aurora Biosciences, Cymer, Diversa Corporation, ISIS Pharmaceuticals, PacketVideo, QUALCOMM Incorporated, Sequenom, Titan Corporation and Wireless Facilities.

When Cooley decided to move the San Diego office, they were interested in either remaining in the UTC area or relocating to Del Mar Heights. They also wanted to ensure that they would have further room to expand as their firm continues to grow. Irving Hughes recognized their need for space both now and in the future and helped them locate and lease a project currently under construction in the Eastgate Mall area of UTC. Irving Hughes was also an effective matchmaker: they found tenants to sublease the firm's extra office space.

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Says Muto, "The style of Irving Hughes mirrors the style of the lawyers here at Cooley Godward—they have excellent business judgment and they focus on the business goals of their clients. We have worked with Irving Hughes frequently with our own clients and have always been impressed with their skills and assertiveness. Their market knowledge is encyclopedic."

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