DUANE MORRIS UNPACKS

After **10 years** at 17th & K, **Duane Morris** filled its moving van and headed out for **505 9th Street** (just around the corner from the **Spy Museum**). The new office opened in January, but the fresh smell of new carpeting still was hanging in the air when we peeked on Wednesday's party celebrating the move.

We caught our friend **Doug Woloshin**, DC Managing Partner, enjoying the string quartet with DC Chair **Sheila Slocum Hollis** and firm Chair **John Soroko**, in from Philly. Duane Morris has opened **20 new offices** in the last decade, so this is old hat to them. They use similar design elements in each one—**blonde wood** and **folk art**—to provide a sense of place for visiting attorneys and clients.

Skyscraping real estate partner **John Barron** poses with his own personal **chorus line**. Actually, though several people informed us that **Sejal Shah** (center) is a fancy dancer, she and mates **Lee Lontz** and **Jennifer Cook** stand out more for their work in Duane Morris's energy group. John just helped a community of **mobile home owners** on the Florida beachfront auction their property, nabbing **seven-figure payouts** for their trailers.

And look who we spotted in the corner: **DLA Piper** Managing Partner **Ann Ford**, who practiced with Doug years ago at Fisher Wayland. The two can't seem to stay apart—her firm now occupies the floors beneath Duane Morris. But in the old friend department, **Manatt's Barrie Vanbrackle** has one-up on Doug: She was there when Ann gave birth to her **first child** at Georgetown Hospital.

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