



TELA Bio Appoints D. Taylor Ocasio as General Counsel

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MALVERN, Pa., April 18, 2022 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- TELA Bio, Inc. ("TELA"), a commercial-stage medical technology company focused on providing innovative soft-tissue reconstruction solutions that optimize clinical outcomes by prioritizing the preservation and restoration of the patient's own anatomy, today announced the hiring of D. Taylor Ocasio as the Company's new General Counsel (GC). As GC, Mr. Ocasio will lead the Company's legal and governance efforts.

Mr. Ocasio joins TELA with nearly ten years of corporate legal operations and healthcare industry experience. Most recently, Mr. Ocasio served as Deputy General Counsel of Zynherba Pharmaceuticals, a clinical-stage specialty pharmaceutical company, where he helped lead the legal functions and compliance programs. Prior to that, Mr. Ocasio served as Assistant General Counsel of Catalent Pharma Solutions, a global provider of biopharma, cell, gene, and consumer health products, supporting its Biologics, Gene and Cell therapy business unit. Mr. Ocasio also held Associate and Senior Associate positions with Pepper Hamilton LLP and Hogan Lovells US LLP in their Health Science and Corporate Securities practices. Mr. Ocasio received a Bachelor of Arts from The Ohio State University and a Juris Doctor degree from Drexel University's Thomas R. Kline School of Law.

"I am tremendously pleased to have Taylor on the TELA Bio team. He brings a rich breadth of knowledge and experience to the role and will be a valuable addition to the Company," said Antony Koblish, president and CEO of TELA Bio. "His extensive knowledge of life sciences and corporate securities will be an asset to TELA as we continue to grow an exceptionally strong team."

About TELA Bio, Inc.

TELA Bio, Inc. (NASDAQ: TELA) is a commercial-stage medical technology company focused on providing innovative technologies that optimize clinical outcomes by prioritizing the preservation and restoration of the patient's own anatomy. The Company is committed to providing surgeons with advanced, economically effective soft-tissue reconstruction solutions that leverage the patient's natural healing response while minimizing long-term exposure to permanent synthetic materials. For more information, visit www.telabio.com.

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