

Proskauer Practices, Lawyers Once Again Score Top National and Regional Rankings in Chambers USA 2012

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June 8, 2012 (New York) – Global law firm Proskauer has once again earned leading recognition in the 2012 rankings of *Chambers USA*, the prestigious directory of leading U.S. business lawyers. The firm achieved Band One rankings for eight practices and Band One, Star Individual and Senior Statesmen ratings for 24 individual lawyers.

In all, *Chambers USA* recognized Proskauer with 46 practice rankings and 123 leading individual lawyer rankings. Three practices and 10 lawyers earned first-time rankings. Eighteen lawyers were ranked in more than one area.

Proskauer's practices ranked Band One are:

- Advertising: Litigation (Nationwide)
- ERISA Litigation (Nationwide)
- Sports Law (Nationwide)
- Healthcare (East Coast)
- Banking & Finance (Massachusetts)
- Private Equity: Fund Formation (Massachusetts)
- Healthcare (New York)
- Labor & Employment (New York)

Proskauer lawyers rated Band One are:

- Steven Bauer (Massachusetts – Intellectual Property)
- Martin Bienenstock (Nationwide and New York – Bankruptcy/ Restructuring)
- Monte Dube (Illinois – Healthcare)
- Steven Ellis (Massachusetts – Banking & Finance)

- Ralph Ferrara (Nationwide – Securities: Regulation: Enforcement)
- Daniel Finkelman (Massachusetts – Private Equity: Fund Formation)
- Howard Ganz (Nationwide – Sports Law)
- David Grunblatt (New York – Immigration)
- Paul Hamburger (District of Columbia – Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation)
- Edward Kornreich (Nationwide – Healthcare: Regulatory & Litigation; Nationwide – Healthcare: Transactional; New York – Healthcare)
- Joseph Leccese (Nationwide – Sports Law)
- Betsy Plevan (New York – Labor & Employment)
- David Pratt (Florida – Tax: Estate Planning)
- Paul Salvatore (New York – Labor & Employment)
- Howard Shapiro (Nationwide – ERISA Litigation; Louisiana – Labor & Employment: Employee Benefits & Compensation)
- Michael Sirkin (Nationwide – Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation)
- Allan Weitzman (Florida – Labor & Employment)
- Michael Woronoff (California – Corporate/ M&A: Private Equity)
- Richard Zall (New York – Healthcare)

Additional Proskauer lawyers recognized as leading individuals by *Chambers USA* are:

- Steven Gilford (Illinois – Insurance: Dispute Resolution), Robin Painter (Massachusetts – Private Equity: Fund Formation) and Michael Sirkin (New York – Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation), who were honored with "Star Individual" rankings, awarded to only a select few.
- Peter Fass (Nationwide – Capital Markets: REITS; New York – Real Estate: Finance) and Robert Kafin (New York – Environment), who earned the distinction of "Senior Statesmen."
- Philip Abelson (New York – Bankruptcy), Howard Beber (Massachusetts – Private Equity: Fund Formation), William Brady (Massachusetts – Banking & Finance) and Monica Shilling (Southern California – Corporate/ M&A), who were recognized as "Up & Coming" lawyers.
- Jurate Schwartz (Florida – Labor & Employment), who was recognized as an "Associate to Watch."

Underscoring the firm's increased momentum and recent successes, *Chambers USA* added three Proskauer practices to its rankings for the first time:

- Nationwide – Real Estate
- New York – Latin American Investment
- New York – Technology & Outsourcing

Additionally, 10 Proskauer lawyers earned first-time leading individual rankings:

- Philip Abelson (New York – Bankruptcy)
- Howard Beber (Massachusetts – Private Equity: Fund Formation)
- Elise Bloom (New York – Labor & Employment)
- William Brady (Massachusetts – Banking & Finance)
- Robert Cleary (New York – Litigation: White-Collar Crime & Government Investigations)
- Paul Langer (Illinois – Insurance: Dispute Resolution)
- Lawrence Lorber (District of Columbia – Labor & Employment)
- Jeffrey Neuburger (New York – Technology & Outsourcing)
- Jurate Schwartz (Florida – Labor & Employment)
- Charles Seemann (Louisiana – Labor & Employment)

Eighteen of the firm's lawyers ranked as leading individuals in more than one category:

- Martin Bienenstock (Nationwide and New York – Bankruptcy/Restructuring)
- Nancy S. Cohen (Nationwide – Insurance: Dispute Resolution: Policyholder; California – Insurance: Policyholder)
- Monte Dube (Nationwide – Healthcare: Transactional; Illinois – Healthcare)
- Peter Fass (Nationwide – Capital Markets: REITs; New York – Real Estate: Finance)
- Ralph Ferrara (Nationwide – Securities: Litigation; Nationwide – Securities: Regulation: Enforcement)
- Howard Ganz (Nationwide – Sports Law; New York – Labor & Employment)
- Steven Gilford (Illinois – Insurance: Dispute Resolution; Insurance: Dispute Resolution: Reinsurance)

- Albert Gortz (Nationwide – Wealth Management: Eastern Region; Florida – Tax: Estate Planning)
- Paul Hamburger (Nationwide and District of Columbia – Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation)
- Edward Kornreich (Nationwide – Healthcare: Regulatory & Litigation; Nationwide – Healthcare: Transactional; New York – Healthcare)
- Robin Painter (Nationwide – Investment Funds: Private Equity: Fund Formation; Massachusetts – Private Equity: Fund Formation)
- David Pratt (Nationwide – Wealth Management: Eastern Region; Florida – Tax: Estate Planning)
- Bradley Ruskin (Nationwide – Sports Law; New York – Litigation: General Commercial)
- Seth Schafler (Nationwide and New York – Insurance: Dispute Resolution: Policyholder)
- Howard Shapiro (Nationwide – ERISA Litigation; Louisiana – Labor & Employment: Employee Benefits & Compensation)
- Michael Sirkin (Nationwide and New York – Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation)
- Michael Woronoff (Nationwide – Capital Markets: Debt & Equity; Nationwide – Private Equity: Buyouts; California – Capital Markets: Debt & Equity; California – Corporate/ M&A: Private Equity)
- Richard Zall (Nationwide – Healthcare: Transactional; New York – Healthcare)

Other Proskauer practices that earned rankings by *Chambers USA* are:

- Nationwide – Capital Markets: Debt & Equity
- Nationwide – Capital Markets: REITs
- Nationwide – Corporate/ M&A
- Nationwide – Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation
- Nationwide – Insurance: Dispute Resolution: Policyholder
- Nationwide – Investment Funds: Hedge Funds
- Nationwide – Investment Funds: Private Equity: Fund Formation
- Nationwide – Labor & Employment
- Nationwide – Leisure & Hospitality

- Nationwide – Life Sciences
- Nationwide – Privacy & Data Security
- Nationwide – Private Equity: Buyouts
- Nationwide – Wealth Management
- California – Banking & Finance
- California – Corporate/ M&A: Private Equity
- California – Labor & Employment
- California (Southern) – Corporate/ M&A
- District of Columbia – Corporate/ M&A & Private Equity
- Florida – Tax
- Illinois – Bankruptcy/ Restructuring
- Illinois – Healthcare
- Illinois – Insurance: Dispute Resolution
- Massachusetts – Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation
- Massachusetts – Intellectual Property
- Massachusetts – Labor & Employment
- Massachusetts – Tax
- New Jersey – Labor & Employment
- New York – Corporate/ M&A
- New York – Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation
- New York – Immigration
- New York – Insurance: Dispute Resolution: Policyholder
- New York – Litigation: General Commercial
- New York – Media & Entertainment: Entertainment Litigation
- New York – Real Estate: Mainly Corporate & Finance
- New York – Real Estate: Mainly Dirt

Other Proskauer lawyers earning *Chambers USA* leading lawyer individual rankings are:

- Rory Albert (New York – Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation)
- Julie Allen (Nationwide – Capital Markets: Debt & Equity)

- Peter Antoszyk (Massachusetts – Banking & Finance)
- Mark Batten (Massachusetts – Labor & Employment)
- Robert Batterman (Nationwide – Sports Law)
- Joseph Baumgarten (New York – Labor & Employment)
- Stephen Boyko (Massachusetts – Banking & Finance)
- Stuart Bressman (Nationwide – Capital Markets: Debt & Equity)
- Elaine Bucher (Florida – Tax: Estate Planning)
- Joseph Capraro Jr. (Massachusetts – Intellectual Property)
- Trevor Chaplick (District of Columbia – Corporate/ M&A & Private Equity)
- Sandra Crawshaw-Sparks (New York – Media & Entertainment: Copyright & Contract Disputes)
- Neil Cummings (California – Banking & Finance)
- Louis Eatman (California – Real Estate)
- Bruce Fader (New York – Litigation: General Commercial)
- Allen Fagin (New York – Labor & Employment)
- Scott Faust (Massachusetts – Labor & Employment)
- Michael Fernhoff (California – Tax)
- Marvin Goldstein (New Jersey – Labor & Employment)
- John Gross (New York – Insurance: Dispute Resolution: Policyholder)
- Daryn Grossman (Nationwide – Life Sciences: Corporate/ Commercial)
- Scott Harshbarger (Massachusetts – Litigation: General Commercial)
- Sean Hill (Massachusetts – Private Equity: Fund Formation)
- Jeffrey Horwitz (Nationwide – Leisure & Hospitality)
- Helene Jaffe (New York – Antitrust)
- Scott Jones (Massachusetts – Tax)
- Wayne Katz (Nationwide – Sports Law)
- Andrew Katzenstein (Nationwide – Wealth Management: Western Region)
- Steven Lichtenfeld (New York – Real Estate: Corporate)
- Frank Lopez (Nationwide – Capital Markets: Debt & Equity)

- Peter Marathas (Massachusetts – Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation)
- Jeff Marwil (Illinois – Bankruptcy/ Restructuring)
- Kristen Mathews (Nationwide – Privacy & Data Security)
- Arnold May (Massachusetts – Tax)
- Kathleen McKenna (New York – Labor & Employment)
- Stephen Mears (Massachusetts – Private Equity: Fund Formation)
- Elizabeth Mills (Illinois – Healthcare)
- Avram Morell (New York – Immigration)
- Timothy Mungovan (Massachusetts – Litigation: General Commercial)
- Malcolm Nicholls III (Massachusetts – Private Equity: Fund Formation)
- Amanda Nussbaum (Nationwide – Investment Funds: Hedge Funds)
- Anthony Oncidi (California – Labor & Employment)
- Jon Oram (Nationwide – Sports Law)
- Brendan O'Rourke (Nationwide – Advertising: Litigation)
- Charles Ortner (New York – Media & Entertainment: Copyright & Contract Disputes)
- Ronald Papa (New York – Corporate/ M&A)
- Bernard Plum (New York – Labor & Employment)
- Gail Port (New York – Environment: Mainly Transactional)
- Marc Rosenthal (Illinois – Insurance: Dispute Resolution)
- Stephen Rubin (Nationwide – Private Equity: Buyouts)
- Myron Rumeld (Nationwide – ERISA Litigation)
- Lawrence Sandak (New Jersey – Labor & Employment)
- Ronald Sernau (New York – Real Estate)
- Peter Sherwin (Nationwide – International Arbitration)
- Chuck Sims (New York – Media & Entertainment: Copyright & Contract Disputes)
- Kenneth Sulzer (California – Labor & Employment)
- David Tegeler (Massachusetts – Private Equity: Fund Formation)
- Mark Thomas (Illinois – Bankruptcy/ Restructuring)
- Jay Waxenberg (Nationwide – Wealth Management: Eastern Region)

- David Weinberger (New York – Real Estate: Finance)
- Lawrence Weinstein (Nationwide – Advertising: Litigation)
- Steven Weise (California – Banking & Finance)
- Christopher Wells (Nationwide – Investment Funds: Hedge Funds)
- Martin Zohn (California – Bankruptcy/ Restructuring)

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