

Law360 MVP Awards Go To Legal Top Guns From 52 Firms

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Law360, New York (November 30, 2012) -- Over the next several weeks, Law360 will profile the winners of this year's MVP awards honoring attorneys whose achievements in major litigation or transactions have set a new standard for accomplishment in corporate law.

After reviewing close to 500 nominations, a team of Law360 editors chose 113 lawyers to honor as MVPs for their accomplishments in litigation or transactions between October 2011 and October 2012.

This year's MVPs cross 22 practice areas and hail from 52 firms, including Gibson Dunn, which leads the pack with seven MVPs, as well as Kirkland & Ellis, Latham & Watkins, O'Melveny & Myers, Skadden Arps and Weil Gotshal, which each boast six MVPs.

This year, four attorneys have further distinguished themselves by winning the MVP designation two years in a row. They are Skadden's Jay Kasner, Kirkland & Ellis' Jay Lefkowitz, Cooley's Michael Rhodes and Gibson Dunn's Orin Snyder.

Congratulations to Law360's 2012 MVPs. They are:

Appellate

Gregory Garre, Latham & Watkins
Chris Landau, Kirkland & Ellis
Robert Long, Covington & Burling
Patricia Millett, Akin Gump
Jonathan Singer, Fish & Richardson

Bankruptcy

Paul Basta, Kirkland & Ellis
Allan Brilliant, Dechert
George Davis, Cadwalader Wickersham
David Friedman, Kasowitz Benson
Susheel Kirpalani, Quinn Emanuel

Class Action

Elise Bloom, Proskauer Rose
Thomas Dubbs, Labaton Sucharow
Jay Kasner, Skadden
David Lender, Weil Gotshal
Bo Phillips, Reed Smith

Competition

Cliff Aronson, Skadden
Paul Denis, Dechert
Eric Grannon, White & Case
Stephen Neuwirth, Quinn Emanuel
Kenneth Nissly, O'Melveny & Myers
Glenn Pomerantz, Munger Tolles
Lee Van Voorhis, Baker & McKenzie
K. Craig Wildfang, Robins Kaplan Miller & Ciresi

Employment

James Boudreau, Greenberg Traurig
Karen Kubin, Morrison & Foerster
Neal Mollen, Paul Hastings
Jason Schwartz, Gibson Dunn
Bob Siegel, O'Melveny & Myers

Energy

Michael Darden, Latham & Watkins
Scott Greer, King & Spalding
Steven Rosenbaum, Covington & Burling
Hugh Tucker, Baker Botts

Environmental

Bob Alessi, DLA Piper
Mary Rose Alexander, Latham & Watkins
Terry Fay, Thompson Hine
Kevin Holewinski, Jones Day
Roger Martella, Sidley Austin

Government Contracts

Brad Fagg, Morgan Lewis
Marcia Madsen, Mayer Brown
Karen Manos, Gibson Dunn

Health

Paul Kalb, Sidley Austin
Gregory Luce, Skadden
Robert Salcido, Akin Gump
Eric Sitarchuk, Morgan Lewis

Insurance

Robert Horkovich, Anderson Kill
Brook Roberts, Latham & Watkins
Tancred Schiavoni, O'Melveny & Myers
Mary Kay Vyskocil, Simpson Thacher

Intellectual Property

Greg Castanias, Jones Day
Morgan Chu, Irell & Manella
Donald Dunner, Finnegan Henderson
Michael Elkin, Winston & Strawn
Josh Krevitt, Gibson Dunn
William F. Lee, WilmerHale
George Lombardi, Winston & Strawn
Floyd Mandell, Katten Muchin
Chris Ottenweller, Orrick Herrington
Bob Van Nest, Kecker & Van Nest

International Trade

Stephen Kho, Akin Gump
Peter Lichtenbaum, Covington & Burling
Mark McConnell, Hogan Lovells
Stephen Orava, King & Spalding
Ted Posner, Weil Gotshal

Life Sciences

John Hurvitz, Covington & Burling
Jay Lefkowitz, Kirkland & Ellis
Paul Scrivano, O'Melveny & Myers
Randy Sunberg, Morgan Lewis
Liz Weiswasser, Weil Gotshal

Mergers & Acquisitions

Mike Aiello, Weil Gotshal
Alan Klein, Simpson Thacher
Nancy Lieberman, Skadden
Charles Ruck, Latham & Watkins
Daniel Wolf, Kirkland & Ellis

Media & Entertainment

Joel Katz, Greenberg Traurig
Marty Katz, Sheppard Mullin
Daniel Petrocelli, O'Melveny & Myers
Glenn Pomerantz, Munger Tolles
Orin Snyder, Gibson Dunn

Privacy & Consumer Protection

Ashlie Beringer, Gibson Dunn
Stuart Ingis, Venable
Michael Mallow, Loeb & Loeb
Douglas Meal, Ropes & Gray
Michael Rhodes, Cooley

Private Equity

Marilyn French, Weil Gotshal
Robert Schwenkel, Fried Frank
Paul Sheridan, Latham & Watkins
William Shields, Ropes & Gray

Product Liability

Hilarie Bass, Greenberg Traurig
James Herschlein, Kaye Scholer
Michael Imbroscio, Covington
Charles Lifland, O'Melveny & Myers
Stephanie Parker, Jones Day

Project Finance

Christopher Erckert, Mayer Brown
Martin Klepper, Skadden
Keith Larson, Hogan Lovells
Carl Lyon, Orrick Herrington
Tomer Pinkusiewicz, Gibson Dunn

Real Estate

Jonathan Canter, Kramer Levin
Neisen Kasdin, Akerman Senterfitt
Steven Koppel, Jones Day
Stephen Lefkowitz, Fried Frank
Phil Rosen, Weil Gotshal
Jonathan Schechter, Kirkland & Ellis

Securities

Andrew Clubok, Kirkland & Ellis
Scott Musoff, Skadden
Larry Portnoy, Davis Polk
Eugene Scalia, Gibson Dunn
Marc Sonnenfeld, Morgan Lewis

White Collar

Mike Attanasio, Cooley
Eric Dubelier, Reed Smith
Andrew Levander, Dechert
Janet Levine, Crowell & Moring
Michael Madigan, Orrick Herrington

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