## Michael Best Adds Litigator James Fieweger as Partner in Chicago

**Michael Best** announced the addition of James Fieweger to the firm's Litigation Practice Group as a partner in Chicago. His addition follows partners Michael Graham, Peter Huh, and Mircea Tipescu, all of whom have joined the office in the past few months.

Fieweger has more than 25 years of experience and focuses on matters involving commercial litigation, professional and product liability, corporate internal investigations, commercial disputes involving claims of fraud, breach of fiduciary duty, breach of contract, and mass tort cases for Fortune 100 corporations. He has represented clients across several industries, including healthcare providers, retail banks, and manufacturers of medical and industrial products, and has defended more than 50 long-term care facilities against breach of contract claims.

Earlier in his career, Fieweger served for six years as an assistant U.S. attorney in the Northern District of Illinois, where he managed a broad scope of government and white collar investigations, including international drug trafficking, money laundering, RICO violations, insider trading, wire fraud, and cases involving the False Claims Act.

"James brings a great track record of government experience and corporate investigations work," said John Scheller, Chair of Michael Best's Litigation Practice Group. "With more than two decades in the private and public sectors, he will be an outstanding addition and will enhance our litigation and investigations counsel for clients."

Most recently before joining Michael Best, Fieweger was a

founding partner of law firm Falkenberg Fieweger & Ives, where he focused on representing clients in commercial litigation as well as state and federal investigations.

"We're delighted that Jim has joined us alongside some other recent and notable hires we've made here in Chicago," said Kerryann Haase Minton, Michael Best's Chicago Office Managing Partner. "He is an accomplished and respected attorney in the litigation and investigations space and we're confident he'll be a great fit for our culture of providing exceptional legal counsel for our clients."

"I'm excited to be a part of such a motivated and successful team here in Chicago," Fieweger said. "The firm's credentials speak for themselves and I'm thrilled to be a part of the team in Chicago and to work with the other litigation partners across the firm's national platform."

Fieweger received his J.D., cum laude, from DePaul University College of Law and his B.A. from the University of Notre Dame. He received an "AV" rating from Martindale-Hubbell, the highest level peer review rating an attorney can obtain for both legal abilities and ethical standards.

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