17 Gardere Attorneys Recognized on 2015 Texas Rising Stars List

Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP has announced that 17 of the firm's attorneys have been selected for inclusion on the 2016 Texas Rising Stars list. Each year, no more than 2.5 percent of lawyers in the state are honored with this distinction.

"These 17 lawyers represent the many 'rising stars' at Gardere," says Gardere Chair Holland N. O'Neil. "To earn recognition on the official Texas Rising Stars list reflects the exceptional work these lawyers provide for our clients and our Firm, and we congratulate them on this well-earned honor."

The Gardere attorneys named to the 2016 Texas Rising Stars list and the practice areas for which they are being recognized are:

Dallas:

- Michael S. Haynes, Business: Bankruptcy
- Rick Jordan, Mergers & Acquisitions
- Rachel Kingrey, Business Litigation
- Kimberly P. Mabel, Insurance Coverage
- Virgil Ochoa, International
- Aimee Cook Oleson, Business Litigation
- James C. (Jim) Scott, Business Litigation
- Sarah A. Walters, Franchise/Dealership
- Taylor E. White, Employment & Labor

Houston:

- Katharine D. (Kate) David, Eminent Domain
- Scott D. Ellis, Business Litigation
- Mary Elizondo Frazier, Business Litigation

- Jessica Glatzer Mason, Employment & Labor
- Audrey Momanaee, Business Litigation
- Alfredo Ramos, Energy & Natural Resources
- Mike Seely, Business Litigation
- Rhonda Reed Weiner, Business Litigation

In a release, the firm said Rising Stars recognizes top up-and-coming attorneys who are 40 years of age or younger, or have been in practice for 10 years or less. The annual selections are made by the research team at Super Lawyers, a Thomson Reuters business, using a patented multiphase process that includes a statewide survey of lawyers, an independent research evaluation of candidates and peer reviews by practice area. The result is a credible, comprehensive and diverse listing of exceptional attorneys, the firm said.

The complete 2016 *Texas Rising Stars* list will appear in the April 2016 issues of *Texas Monthly* and Texas *Super Lawyers* Rising Stars magazine.

Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP, an Am Law 200 firm founded in 1909, has offices in Austin, Dallas, Houston, Denver and Mexico City.