Greensfelder Chicago Officer Among 'Notable Minorities in Accounting, Consulting & Law'

Upneet S. Teji, an officer in the Business Services practice group and co-leader of the Financial Services industry group at Greensfelder, Hemker & Gale, P.C., in Chicago, is among the 2019 "Notable Minorities in Accounting, Consulting & Law" as determined by Crain's Chicago Business.

According to Crain's, the 2019 honorees have shown the ability or power to effect change in their role or area of practice, serve as a role model or mentor, and have assumed a leadership position outside their organization. Many are members of diversity committees that seek to recruit and retain minority candidates and groom them for leadership.

Teji is a member of Greensfelder's Equity, Retention and Advancement committee and in 2017 was named as a Leadership Council on Legal Diversity Fellow.

Inn a release, the firm said Teji serves as a role model and mentor for the associates who are members of Greensfelder's Financial Services industry group in the firm's Chicago and St. Louis offices. He also is involved with initiatives to further equity, inclusion and diversity efforts among Greensfelder's clients. This summer, he organized a presentation on "Dismantling Assimilation in the Legal Profession" that was attended by the entire North American legal team of a major international commercial bank.

Teji also serves on the board of the Illinois Institute of Continuing Legal Education.

The firm said Teji represents businesses in corporate transactions and commercial real estate matters in a variety

of industries. He represents clients in M&A transactions, day-to-day corporate counseling, and the acquisition, disposition, leasing and financing of all types of commercial real estate. This includes retail spaces, oil and gas assets, office spaces, industrial properties, health care facilities, and mixed-use and multifamily properties. In the area of financial services, he represents regional and national lenders in complex financing transactions involving commercial real estate, asset-based lending, and other types of secured lending in both single-bank and syndicated financing transactions. His practice also covers industries that include energy (oil and alternative energy), technology and health care.

Teji joined Greensfelder in 2015. He received his J.D. from Seton Hall University School of Law.