

Neal, Gerber & Eisenberg Names New Managing Partner



Scott J.
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Neal, Gerber & Eisenberg LLP announced today a significant change in firm leadership. Litigation partner **Scott J. Fisher** will assume the role of managing partner from long-term leader **Jerry H. Biederman**.

The leadership shift is a significant step in investing in the firm's future and will be effective Jan. 1, 2016, allowing for a planned transition for Fisher, 43, to assume the new role.

Biederman, 68, has been the only managing partner in the firm's history and will remain active with the firm he helped found nearly 30 years ago. Since its inception, **Neal Gerber Eisenberg** has nearly quadrupled in size and has resisted, by design, the current legal trend of dramatic growth for the sake of growth.

"What sets Neal Gerber Eisenberg apart is that we retain many of the unique qualities that have been lost in the current law firm merger frenzy," said Fisher, who will retain his active trial practice. "We have a distinct and compelling value proposition to offer clients. Our firm is positioned to service all of our clients' needs in an atmosphere that is collaborative, innovative and diverse."

Fisher said he is committed to focusing on Neal Gerber Eisenberg's core strengths of intellectual property, strategic litigation, and the representation of middle market businesses and their owners. He is also firmly committed to maintaining the vision of the firm's founders.

It was this vision that drew Fisher to Neal Gerber Eisenberg almost 10 years ago. "The firm has always enjoyed a sterling reputation as first-rate lawyers and business counselors who handle sophisticated matters as true professionals," he said. "I look forward to building upon the tremendous foundation that Jerry, our partners and staff have put in place over the past 29 years."

A diverse range of firm clients have remained committed to that model as well. In 2014, Neal Gerber Eisenberg represented 39 of the Fortune 100 companies and many of the best known private companies. The firm also acts as the trusted advisers to nonprofits, startups, growth companies and entrepreneurs.

Biederman is confident the leadership transition will be seamless.

"I have maintained a close relationship with Scott for nearly 10 years and know we are in good hands with the firm's next generation of leaders," said Biederman. "It has been an honor to serve Neal Gerber Eisenberg as managing partner for almost 20 years, and it's reassuring to work with a successor who is no stranger to firm leadership and management. I respect Scott's perspectives as a member of the firm's executive committee and his leadership as chair of our General & Commercial Litigation practice group. I have the utmost confidence in his ability to guide the firm to continued success."

Fisher received his J.D., with highest honors, in 1996 from Chicago-Kent College of Law and earned his B.A. from The Ohio State University in 1993. An experienced trial lawyer, he has been recognized repeatedly as a leader in the field.

Neal Gerber Eisenberg is a Chicago-based law firm whose attorneys share a culture of teamwork and devotion to personalized client service to advance our clients' business interests. Our attorneys provide legal business solutions to

public and private entities of all types—including Fortune 100 companies, financial institutions, nonprofits and high net worth individuals—in connection with domestic and global business transactions and litigation. Our full service firm is large enough to handle nearly any legal matter throughout the world, yet small enough that clients personally know the attorneys accountable to their matters.