Quarles & Brady Adds New Partners

The national law firm of **Quarles & Brady LLP** has announced that 12 of its associate attorneys have been admitted as partners as a result of superb performance and the promise of furthering the future for the firm and its clients. The new partners are in the firm's Chicago, Madison, Milwaukee, Phoenix, and Tampa offices.

The new partners are Daniel J. Ark, Nicole A. Bashor, Jonathan W. Hackbarth, Brian A. Hartstein, Ryan S. Lovitz, Patrick J. Murphy, Lauren G. Raines, Rowan P. Smith, Martha Jahn Snyder, Valerie P. Vidal, Cathleen T. Yu, and Marian M. Zapata-Rossa.

Firm Managing Partner Fred Lautz, who supervises the partnership across the firm's 10 nationwide locations from its founding office in Milwaukee, said, "These new partners have exceptional legal skills and provide terrific, business-aware client service. We are confident they will help Quarles & Brady grow and thrive well into the future."

"All new partners must be outstanding representatives of the legal industry," added Firm Chair Kimberly Leach Johnson. "As associates, they have done a superior job and we are certain they will continue their outstanding work as partners."

The attorneys' new status as partners becomes effective on October 1.

About the Attorneys:

Daniel J. Ark (Milwaukee office) practices in the firm's Intellectual Property Practice Group and specializes in patent prosecution and counseling. His background in materials science and engineering provides him with a broad technical base that is of particular value to clients having needs in the overlapping areas of materials, mechanical, electrical, or chemical arts.

Nicole A. Bashor (Chicago office) practices in the firm's Intellectual Property Practice Group. She helps clients obtain, enforce, and defend against patents involving primarily mechanical, software, chemical, and medical device technologies.

Jonathan W. Hackbarth (Milwaukee office) practices in the firm's Litigation & Dispute Resolution Practice Group. He defends corporations, financial institutions, financial advisors, and individuals against securities lawsuits in state and federal courts across the country, as well as against securities investigations and regulatory actions brought by state and federal securities regulators.

Brian A. Hartstein (Chicago office) practices in the firm's Labor & Employment Practice Group. He represents and counsels management on a wide range of labor and employment issues, with an emphasis in employment discrimination litigation.

Ryan S. Lovitz (Milwaukee office) practices in the firm's Business Law Practice Group. He represents public companies in connection with securities law compliance, corporate governance matters, and offerings.

Patrick J. Murphy (Milwaukee office) practices in the firm's Litigation & Dispute Resolution Practice Group. He represents policyholders in several industries in connection with various types of claims, including third-party environmental, asbestos, and "personal and advertising injury" claims under commercial general liability policies.

Lauren G. Raines (Tampa office) practices in the firm's Litigation & Dispute Resolution and Real Estate Practice Group. She focuses on commercial real estate finance and enforcement, , with substantial experience in commercial lending, complex real estate transactions, loan workouts, debt restructurings, and foreclosures.

Rowan P. Smith (Phoenix office) practices in the firm's Intellectual Property Practice Group with a focus on patent prosecution and counseling. He represents clients in many technology areas with a focus on those involving computer science and electrical engineering.

Martha Jahn Snyder (Madison office) practices IP Litigation as part of the firm's Intellectual Property Practice Group. She primarily represents plaintiffs and defendants in litigations revolving around patent and trademark infringement, and the theft of trade secrets. Martha also assists clients with obtaining protection of their intellectual property and managing their IP portfolios.

Valerie P. Vidal (Milwaukee office) practices in the firm's Litigation & Dispute Resolution Practice Group. She defends and enforces the rights of corporations and financial institutions in matters involving complex contractual disputes, business torts, loan enforcement and lender liability claims.

Cathleen T. Yu (Phoenix office) practices in the firm's Business Law Practice Group. Her practice includes the representation of clients in corporate finance, securities, mergers and acquisitions, and business transactions in industries including health care, aviation, education, financial services, manufacturing, and biotechnology

Marian M. Zapata-Rossa (Phoenix office) practices in the firm's Labor & Employment Practice Group. Her practice includes employment litigation defense and advising employers on all aspects of the employer-employee relationship with a focus on providing clients with business-oriented solutions to identify and mitigate risk.

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