

TaylorHittner Law Firm Debuts in Texas

Texas lawyers **Andy Taylor** and **George Hittner** have joined forces in the new Texas-based law firm **TaylorHittner**.

In a release, the firm said it will assist political and business clients with litigation, appeals and interactions with local, state and federal governments, including providing expertise in complex commercial litigation, election law matters and general counsel services. In addition to the firm's Houston office, both attorneys will be available by appointment in Austin, Brenham and La Grange.

"Our firm is designed to handle litigation, appeals and the legal issues that exist at the intersection of business, public interest and government. Our varied experience in and out of government will serve our clients well," says Taylor, a troubleshooter for Republican and business causes around the state, including several high-profile victories against the City of Houston.

Taylor is a former first assistant attorney general for the state of Texas and former partner at the firm now known as Locke Lord. Named by *Texas Monthly* as "one of the 25 most powerful people in Texas politics," he is a veteran of numerous high-profile cases, including two he personally argued before the U.S. Supreme Court.

"TaylorHittner has the experience businesses need when dealing with government issues, and we also provide small and mid-sized businesses with savvy, efficiently managed general counsel services," says Hittner, who previously worked as general counsel, corporate secretary and senior vice president for governmental relations at Arizona-based American Traffic Solutions Inc., a market leader in traffic enforcement safety

equipment.

Hittner has managed hundreds of lawsuits, including several cases that were favorably resolved by state supreme courts and federal courts of appeal, the release says. He previously worked as a White House appointee to the U.S. Department of Labor and as an associate at Haynes and Boone in Houston, where he also ran for city council.

The two are joined by associate Amanda Peterson. The release says other lawyers will be added.