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## Locke Lord Earns Top Marks in the 2016 Corporate Equality Index Produced By the Human Rights Campaign

**November 18, 2015** – **Locke Lord** received a score of 95 points on the 2016 Corporate Equality Index (CEI) released today by the Human Rights Campaign (HRC), based on its support of the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) community.

“Inclusion is one of the cornerstone values of Locke Lord,” said **Jerry Clements**, Firm Chair. “We are committed to fostering a workplace in which all employees are treated with respect and equality through our policies, benefits and programs.”

Locke Lord earned top marks in the CEI survey that evaluates LGBT-related policies and practices including non-discrimination workplace protections, domestic partner benefits, transgender-inclusive health care benefits, competency programs, and public engagement with the LGBT community.

Locke Lord represents Fenway Community Health, the largest LGBT health and research facility in the United States. In addition, the lawyers at Locke Lord have a long history of supporting LGBT civil rights and healthcare organizations such as the LGBT Bar Associations, Gay and Lesbian Advocates and Defenders, Aids Action Committee, Imperial Court of New York, Equality Illinois and Mainers United for Marriage, including service on boards and fundraising committees, hosting events and volunteer work.

The 2016 CEI rated a total of 1,027 businesses in the report on corporate policies and practices related to LGBT workplace equality, administered by the Human Rights Campaign Foundation.

The Human Rights Campaign is America’s largest civil rights organization working to achieve lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender equality. For more information on the 2016 Corporate Equality Index, or to download a free copy of the report, visit [www.hrc.org/cei](http://www.hrc.org/cei).

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