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## Locke Lord Receives Perfect Score in Human Rights Campaign Foundation's 2018 Corporate Equality Index

**November 15, 2017** – Locke Lord achieved a 100 percent rating in the Human Rights Campaign (HRC) Foundation's 2018 Corporate Equality Index (CEI) for the second consecutive year. A perfect score in this annual report evaluating LGBTQ-related policies and practices earns the Firm the distinction of a "Best Place to Work for LGBTQ Equality."

"I am honored once again that Locke Lord has received a perfect score from the HRC, which showcases our Firm's deep commitment to diversity and equality," said Firm Chair **Jerry Clements**. "At Locke Lord, we remain committed to these core values and are continuously working to provide a safe, inclusive and supportive environment for all of our employees. We are proud to be recognized among so many top companies and strive to continue on this path toward a more inclusive future."

The Firm represents Fenway Community Health, the largest LGBTQ health and research facility in the United States. In addition, the lawyers at Locke Lord have a long history of supporting LGBTQ civil rights and health care organizations, such as the LGBTQ 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 CEI survey addresses the largest and most successful U.S. employers, including Fortune 1000 and AmLaw 200 employers. The survey evaluates LGBTQ-related policies and practices, including non-discrimination workplace policies, equitable benefits for LGBTQ workers and their families, internal education and accountability metrics to promote LGBTQ inclusion and competency, and public commitment to LGBTQ equality.

For additional information and to view the full 2018 CEI results, click [here](#).

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Locke Lord is a full-service, international law firm of 20 offices designed to meet clients' needs around the world. The Firm has a history that spans more than 130 years and is a worldwide leader in the middle market sector. Locke Lord advises clients across a broad spectrum of industries including energy, financial services, fund formation, health care, insurance and reinsurance, private equity and venture capital, public finance, real estate, and technology, media and telecommunications, while providing a wealth of experience through its complex litigation, intellectual property, tax, regulatory and transactional teams.