Chambers USA 2018 Recognizes 55 Locke Lord Lawyers and 18 Practice Areas

May 3, 2018 – Legal directory Chambers USA has ranked 55 Locke Lord lawyers and 18 of the Firm’s practice areas for excellence in its 2018 edition. Nine of the Firm’s lawyers have achieved Band 1 rankings in their respective practice areas, and the Firm’s Energy: Oil & Gas (Transactional) practice has earned a nationwide distinction.

Locke Lord lawyers honored on a nationwide level include: Nick J. DiGiovanni (Insurance: Dispute Resolution: Reinsurance), David Patton (Energy: Oil & Gas Transactional), Thomas J. Smedinghoff (Privacy & Data Security) and Terry Radney (Energy: Oil & Gas Transactional), who was ranked by Chambers USA for the first time this year.

In addition, three Locke Lord lawyers moved up in this year’s rankings, including: Jennifer Capasso Mendonça (Banking & Finance: Public Finance), Brad Hawley (Real Estate) and Jonathan W. Young (Bankruptcy/Restructuring).

Below is a full list of Locke Lord lawyers ranked in Chambers USA 2018:

**Nationwide**

- **Nick J. DiGiovanni** – Insurance: Dispute Resolution: Reinsurance
- **David Patton** – Energy: Oil & Gas Transactional
- **Terry Radney** – Energy: Oil & Gas Transactional
- **Thomas J. Smedinghoff** – Privacy & Data Security

**California**

- **Los Angeles**
  - **Jonathan Bank** – Insurance: Reinsurance (Band 1)

- **San Francisco**
  - **Elizabeth Tosaris** – Insurance: Insurer

**Illinois (Chicago)**

- **Michael P. Bennett** – Technology & Outsourcing
- **Jon Biasetti** – Insurance: Transactional & Regulatory
Nick J. DiGiovanni – Insurance: Dispute Resolution: Reinsurance (Band 1)
David J. Fischer – Bankruptcy/Restructuring
Thomas J. Smedinghoff – Technology & Outsourcing (Band 1)
Paige D. Waters – Insurance: Transactional & Regulatory

Louisiana (New Orleans)

Omer F. "Rick" Kuebel III – Bankruptcy/Restructuring

Massachusetts (Boston)

Christopher M. Flanagan – Tax
Richard D. Glovsky – Labor & Employment
Stanley Keller – Corporate/M&A
Richard A. Manley Jr. – Banking & Finance: Public Finance
Stephanie H. Massey – Banking & Finance: Public Finance
Jennifer Capasso Mendonça – Banking & Finance: Public Finance
David L. Ruediger – Banking & Finance
David S. Szabo – Health Care (Band 1)
Walter J. St. Onge III – Banking & Finance: Public Finance (Band 1)
Jonathan W. Young – Bankruptcy/Restructuring

Rhode Island (Providence)

Mark W. Freel – Litigation: General Commercial (Band 1)
Christopher D. Graham – Corporate/Commercial (Band 1)
Douglas G. Gray – Corporate/Commercial
Charles F. Rogers – Real Estate

Texas

Austin

Cynthia Bast – Real Estate
Brad Hawley – Real Estate
Jennifer L. Rangel – Health Care
Tai C. Tran – Real Estate
Dallas

Paul E. Coggins – Litigation: White-Collar Crime & Government Investigations (Band 1)
Don M. Glendenning – Corporate/M&A
Elizabeth E. Mack – Environment
Kiprian Mendrygal – Litigation: White-Collar Crime & Government Investigations
Michael V. Powell – Litigation: General Commercial and Litigation: Energy & Natural Resources
Susan M. Rainey – Environment
Berry D. Spears – Bankruptcy/Restructuring
Cynthia Timms – Litigation: Appellate
Kelly Vickers – Litigation: White-Collar Crime & Government Investigations
Bradley C. Weber – Antitrust

Houston

John K. Arnold – Energy: State Regulatory & Litigation (Oil & Gas) (Band 1) and Energy: State Regulatory & Litigation (Electricity)
Charles S. Baker – Intellectual Property
M. Benjamin Cowan – Environment
Buddy Haas – Banking & Finance
Gerald D. (Jerry) Higdon – Environment
Stephen C. Jacobs – Real Estate
Tim Johnson – Litigation: White-Collar Crime & Government Investigations
Gerald J. Pels – Environment
Bill Swanstrom – Corporate/M&A
Mitch Tiras – Tax

Locke Lord practice areas recognized in Chambers USA 2018 are:

Nationwide

Energy: Oil & Gas (Transactional)
Florida

Banking & Finance

Illinois

Bankruptcy/Restructuring
Insurance: Dispute Resolution: Reinsurance
Insurance: Transactional & Regulatory
Real Estate
Technology & Outsourcing

Massachusetts

Banking & Finance
Banking & Finance: Public Finance

Rhode Island

Corporate/Commercial
Litigation: General Commercial

Texas

Antitrust
Banking & Finance
Corporate/M&A
Environment
Litigation: General Commercial
Real Estate
Tax

The Firm’s “Other Noted” (“Recognized Practitioners”) lawyers and practice areas are:

Nationwide

Theodore P. Augustinos – Privacy & Data Security

California

Insurance: Insurer
Florida

Mark-David Adams – Banking & Finance: Public Finance

Washington, D.C.

Denise Hanna – Health Care

Massachusetts

Health Care

Rhode Island

Peter J. Barrett – Corporate/Commercial

Texas

Labor & Employment

W. Scott Hastings – Litigation: Appellate

Geoffrey Polma – Tax

Chambers & Partners has been ranking lawyers across all industries since 1990. Chambers USA: America’s Leading Lawyers for Business surveys and interviews clients and lawyers across the United States to determine which firms and lawyers are considered leaders in their field. Rankings assess key qualities in the legal field, including technical legal ability, professional conduct, client service, commercial awareness/astuteness, diligence and commitment.

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Locke Lord is a full-service law firm with global reach and 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.