PUBLISHER’S LETTER

Welcome to our sixth annual special supplement honoring LA’s most influential attorneys. The Los Angeles Business Journal “Leaders in Law” Awards (formerly known as the Corporate Counsel Awards) special supplement is an opportunity for us to celebrate the outstanding work performed by the remarkable individuals and teams of attorneys that form the in-house counsels for our leading businesses here in Los Angeles while also honoring the leading light attorneys at the many terrific law firms of our region.

In the following pages we hope to shed some additional light on some of the premier examples of business law among us today. These are the finalists and honorees we singled out for exceptional legal skill and achievement across the full spectrum of responsibility, exemplary leadership as evidenced by the highest professional and ethical standards, and for contributions to the Los Angeles community at large.

Our celebration of these examples of excellence took place at our Leaders in Law luncheon and awards ceremony on Tuesday, October 18th at the JW Marriott at LA Live.

The list of prestige finalists — each an example of excellence in their respective fields — made it particularly difficult to arrive at the honorees. We applaud each of the finalists and honorees, all of whom are described in these pages.

It should be noted that each of the finalists and honorees featured in these pages has played a key role, not only in the success of their companies or clients, but in the success of the Los Angeles financial community as a whole. So to all the great legal experts profiled in this volume we say thank you!

We hope you enjoy this special section, which contains some unique insights on what exactly it means to be a leading attorney in today’s business climate.

Best regards,

Matthew A. Toledo
President and Publisher

Kirkland & Ellis congratulates
Los Angeles Business Journal’s 2016 “Leaders in Law”

Allison Buchner, Dollar Shave Club
Rising Star General Counsel Finalist

Carla Christofferson, AECOM
Public Company General Counsel of the Year

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**PUBLIC COMPANY GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE YEAR**

**MIKE CAHILL**

City National Bank

Mike B. Cahill has been instrumental to City National Bank’s growth and success since he joined the bank in 2001. But his counsel and strategic advice was never more valuable than in 2015, when he played a key design and execution role in the $5 billion merger between City National Bank and Royal Bank of Canada. The deal, which closed seamlessly and successfully on November 2, 2015, is RBC’s largest-ever expansion into the U.S. Cahill and his team worked night and day to complete this highly complex transaction, considered the most important bank merger since the Great Recession. The collaboration has paid off this year, with City National’s earnings cited as a major factor in RBC’s stellar fiscal performance through its 2016 third quarter, which closed in July.

In part due to Cahill’s efforts, the bank has continued to be headquartered in Los Angeles and has had no merger-related layoffs. As part of Cahill’s work on the acquisition, he led the development, negotiation, strategy and execution of the bank’s landmark five-year, $11 billion Community Reinvestment Act commitment to the state of California. The scope and impact of this commitment is unprecedented and unsurpassed in the banking industry, setting a new and dramatically heightened benchmark for the industry.

In addition to his work on the RBC merger, Cahill has long played an important role in ensuring that City National Bank is consistently recognized as the premier and most-recommended bank for the legal industry. He collaborates with executives and relationship managers to ensure that City National’s service offering to the legal community is of the highest quality and dependability.

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Congratulations to Carla Christofferson,

Executive Vice President, General Counsel at AECOM on being named Public Company General Counsel of the Year by the LA Business Journal. We would also like to extend our best wishes to all of the other LA Business Journal Leaders in Law honorees.

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TIMOTHY R. GRAVES,
FINALIST FOR LOS ANGELES BUSINESS JOURNAL’S
LEADERS IN LAW AWARDS
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Tim Graves is an inspired leader who serves as the managing partner of the Los Angeles office of Lewis Brisbois and serves on the firmwide Management Committee. He was the original chair of Lewis Brisbois’ Healthcare Practice and assisted in building this practice area into one of the nation’s largest and most diverse. He is a leading authority on alternative billing measures and manages several national and regional programs.

Initially built upon a strong partnership with the insurance industry, Lewis Brisbois is now a full-service national law firm with litigation and transactional practices including: antitrust & competition, bankruptcy & insolvency, commercial litigation, data privacy & network security, employment & labor, finance, intellectual property, real estate, and many more. True to our history, talent, and expertise we continue relationships with countless domestic and international insurance carriers.

Lewis Brisbois has become the largest law firm in Los Angeles, the largest California-based firm, and the 15th largest domestic firm in the United States. Our diversity and gender rankings are consistently among the highest in the country and we are proud to retain our “small-firm” culture reflecting the values of hard work, humility, excellence and decency.
CARLA CHRISTOFFERSON
AECOM

Carla J. Christofferson has been an Executive Vice President and General Counsel of AECOM since March of 2015. She brings to her work at AECOM a wealth of experience from the law firm side. Previously, Christofferson was a Partner at O’Melveny & Myers, L.L.P. from 2001 until 2008 and its Managing Partner from 2008 until 2015. Her primary areas of practice included entertainment, commercial, white-collar crime, and major tort litigation, while her range of experience encompassed litigation involving copyrights, patents, unfair trade practices, accountant liability, music law, tax fraud, and contract disputes.

Of particular note were Christofferson’s lengthy involvement in the firm’s representation of a motion picture studio in intellectual property litigation, and the representation of a large oil company in oil spill litigation. Additional representative clients are a major auditing firm, a retail food chain, a talent agency, two broadcasting companies, and 50 class-action plaintiffs at the end of 17 years of litigation to recover long-owed moneys in a pro bono case.

In addition to her legal practice, Christofferson serves both as the Century City Hiring Partner and as the Partner-in-Charge of National Recruiting. She began her career as a judicial clerk for the Honorable W. Matthew Byrne, Jr., of the U.S. District Court, Central District of Los Angeles. She was also co-owner of the Los Angeles Sparks Women’s National Basketball Association team. She previously served as a Member of O’Melveny’s Office of the Chair, the Firm’s five-attorney executive committee. Her education includes a JD from Yale University, Notes Editor, Yale Law Journal; and a B.A. from University of North Dakota.
PROUDLY CONGRATULATES

MARTY WILLHITE

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PRIVATE COMPANY GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE YEAR

JIM PERZIK
The Los Angeles Lakers

Perhaps no one has been as successful nor has contributed more to Los Angeles sports law than Lakers general counsel, James L. (Jim) Perzik. A 1962 graduate of USC Gould School of Law, Perzik served as an advisor to the late Jerry Buss for almost 50 years and helped Buss in the 1979 acquisition of the Lakers that also included the Forum and properties from former owner Jack Kent Cooke for $67.5 million. It was sports world’s largest deal during that time. Buss acquired the NBA Lakers, the NHL Kings and the 18,000-seat Los Angeles Forum which was home to both teams. With the forum hosting rock concerts and tennis and boxing matches, Perzik became quite accomplished at drafting a number of entertainment and sports contracts.

Perzik served as the Lakers secretary and general counsel for the Los Angeles Lakers for over 30 years and is now the Senior Vice President of Legal Affairs and Secretary. He has been involved with all Laker player contracts, including Kobe Bryant’s, salary cap and other collective bargaining matters. He also represented the Lakers’ move to Staples and the 25-year $5B agreement between the Lakers and Time Warner. His 36-year representation of the Lakers has been rewarded with 10 NBA Championships and 16 NBA Final appearances.
PRIVATE COMPANY GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE YEAR

MARTY WILLHITE
Legendary Pictures

Marty Willhite is Chief Operating Officer and General Counsel of Burbank-based Legendary, a leading production company with dedicated film, television, digital and comics divisions. Legendary has been involved with several of the world’s blockbusters, including Godzilla, 42, the Dark Knight trilogy, Inception, The Hangover trilogy, Jurassic World, 100: Rise of an Empire, Pacific Rim, Man of Steel, and more. Legendary’s film productions have grossed more than $12 billion worldwide at the box office. Upcoming releases include The Great Wall, which is the largest film shot entirely in China for global distribution.

In his role at Legendary, Willhite has negotiated and executed several landmark deals in just the past year, including the $3.5 billion acquisition of Legendary Entertainment by China’s Dalian Wanda Group. The transaction, which was announced in January 2016 at a signing ceremony in Beijing, marks the largest cross-border acquisition of a media business by a Chinese-based entity in history. Together, Wanda and Legendary will create a completely new international media and entertainment company to meet the ever-growing global demand for content, particularly in China. The transaction was unusually complex; among the business and legal complexities involved in the transaction, Wanda acquired 100 percent of the equity in Legendary, and then reincorporated the studio in China with many competing regulatory, tax and other corporate structuring issues at play.

In mid-2015, Legendary refinanced and restructured its $700 million Senior Secured Revolving Credit Facility with JPMorgan Chase as Administrative Agent. Willhite led the internal legal team on this transaction.
FRAMROZE VIRJEE
The California State University

FRAM Virjee joined the California State University in January of 2014 as Executive Vice Chancellor, General Counsel and Secretary to the Board. In this position, Virjee leads a staff of attorneys, paralegals and support personnel, and oversees all legal services for the 23-campus California State University system. Virjee’s legal team includes Litigators and University Counsel who provide all manner of legal services to the campuses in areas such as labor and employment (e.g., discrimination and harassment, collective bargaining, the FMLA and privacy), business and finance (e.g., capital planning and facilities management, CEQA, contracts and procurement), and academic and student affairs (e.g., immigration and residency, student discipline, student loans, and Title IX and athletic association compliance).

Virjee’s team also handles in-house a significant load of the University’s litigation, ranging from stop notices and unlawful detainers, to discrimination and harassment cases, to complex arbitrations, administrative hearings and multi-party civil actions.

Prior to joining CSU, Virjee was a partner in private practice for almost 30 years at O’Melveny & Myers, the oldest Firm in Los Angeles and one of the largest in the nation. At O’Melveny, Virjee specialized in labor and employment law, with an emphasis in, among other things, representing educational institutions in the areas of collective bargaining, Education Code compliance, and discrimination and employment litigation. Virjee’s practice included representing employers in employment litigation (especially multi-party and class action litigation), providing preventative advice through client counseling, policy and procedure review and drafting, and extensive in-house training and education on important labor and employment issues.
Joshua White serves as General Counsel for BAMKO, an industry-leading merchandise and global sourcing firm. White has been a transformative force whose impact has reverberated throughout the business since joining BAMKO in 2013. Over the last three years he has transformed BAMKO, changing the types of deals it does, boosting its client profile to include dozens of fortune 500 Firms, driving substantive change in the industry, and helping to bring about extraordinary revenue growth. A sterling example of how effective in-house counsel can add value to a business, White's steady hand and bold vision have been a driving force in BAMKO's remarkable growth and evolution over the last three years.

Perhaps nowhere was White's impact more resounding this year than his efforts in bringing about BAMKO's merger with the publicly traded Superior Uniform Group. The transaction has been hailed as a case study in operational synergy, with the two companies coming together to bring to bear capabilities unmatched in BAMKO's industry. buttressing BAMKO's existing creative, sourcing, and technological prowess with Superior's world-class manufacturing, fulfillment, and distribution, the merger turned BAMKO into an industry behemoth overnight. White's vision and stewardship in bringing the transaction to fruition has opened up a new world of opportunity for BAMKO.

White exhibits an uncanny knack to execute on a tactical level while thinking strategically. Beyond the Superior transaction, White has completely transformed the type and nature of deals that BAMKO does, raising the profile of its customer base in the process. What was once a products company, BAMKO has evolved into a cutting edge services firm.
Congratulation, Roxana.

We’re proud that you’ve been honored as a 2016 Corporate Counsel Award finalist and are thankful for all that you do here at TrueCar.

Roxana Jamshidi
Director, Corporate Counsel

Eric Klein
Sheppard Mullin

Eric Klein is Team Leader of the 120-attorney national healthcare practice, and is a partner in the Century City office of Sheppard Mullin. With over thirty years of practical legal and business experience, his practice focuses on the healthcare, technology and related industries. Known in the business community for his creative solutions and deal-making ability, Klein uses deep industry knowledge, entrepreneurial solutions, sophisticated negotiation skills and effective legal process to meet the complex business and legal needs of both established and emerging companies.

Klein is one of the most active physician group and hospital M&A lawyers, having advised on more than 65% of all major managed care physician group transactions in the Western U.S. in the past 5 years. He represents physician groups, hospitals, health plans, ancillary service providers and private equity and strategic investors. He works with publicly and privately held companies across the country and advises both for-profit and non-profit clients on mergers and acquisitions, strategic alliances and joint ventures, operational and contracting matters, strategic planning, HMO licensing and compliance, regulatory matters and information technology transactions.

In the hospital sector, Klein has led 50 hospital purchase/sale and joint venture projects in the last 10 years and has worked on hospital networks, conversion of non-profit hospitals into for-profit hospitals, credit facilities for hospitals, establishment and acquisition of outpatient treatment centers, outsourcing of hospital departments and hospital syndications. He also has assisted with payor contracting and disputes, governmental investigations and licensing, and hospital-physician contracts and joint ventures. He also recently assisted with several revenue cycle management projects.
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Eric Richards has been instrumental in bringing the public-private partnership (PPP) financing model — which has been successful in funding developments across Europe, UK, and Australia — to sophisticated transportation enterprise and social infrastructure projects in the US.

This year, he advised a client on the largest PPP development ever to be undertaken. Richards guided LaGuardia Gateway Partners (LGP) as its May 2015 winning bid and June 2016 financial close for the complete redevelopment and long-term operation of the Central Terminal Building (CTB) at New York LaGuardia Airport; total redevelopment costs are expected to exceed $4 billion. LGP’s selection concluded an extensive two-and-a-half-year bidding process and LGP will be responsible for structuring, negotiating, and securing financing and airline arrangements in support of the project. The redevelopment of LaGuardia’s Central Terminal Building will be a landmark transaction and become the largest public-private partnership to be undertaken anywhere in the world.

Among many other significant projects, Richards was the lead counsel in advising ADC & HAS Airports Worldwide (ADC & HAS) on its acquisition of Northern Ireland’s Belfast International Airport and a 90.1% stake in Sweden’s Stockholm Skavsta Airport from Spain’s Abertis Infraestructuras SA for over $400 million. In addition to taking over the operations of airports in two international capital cities, the transaction enabled ADC & HAS to expand further into the U.S. market with new airport and airport-facility management contracts at airports in cities such as Orlando, Atlanta, and Burbank, which serve more than 35 million passengers annually.
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Munger, Tolles & Olson Co-Managing Partner Brad Brian helps lead the 200-lawyer firm based in Los Angeles that has a national and international practice. A renowned trial lawyer, Brian has built a national reputation for taking on and successfully resolving significant matters. If the stakes are high and the issues are complicated, Brad Brian is likely to be leading the case on behalf of the world’s largest companies.

Brian has represented numerous Fortune 500 corporations in their most challenging, high-profile lawsuits and government investigations. This work has included multi-billion dollar trials; DOJ, SEC and/or NASD investigations for alleged securities, environmental, government contracts, public corruption, Foreign Corrupt Practices Act or other violations; and conducting more than 100 internal corporate investigations. Brian has made dozens of presentations to corporate boards of directors in connection with these representations. He also has defended companies against more than 40 lawsuits filed under the qui tam provisions of the False Claims Act.

Brian is widely considered a “lawyer’s lawyer,” having represented a number of the largest law firms in the country in legal malpractice and malicious prosecution matters, including three victories at trial. He has also represented lawyers in criminal investigations of alleged false statements, false loan applications, obstruction of justice, and alleged violations of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act. Brian has also developed substantial expertise in the areas of attorney-client privilege and attorney work product. A longtime devoted public servant, Brian has focused much of his volunteer time in the last several years as co-chair of a multi-million dollar capital campaign for the Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles.
ANDREI IANCU
Irell & Manella

Andrei Iancu is the Managing Partner of Irell & Manella LLP. He also practices full-time as a member of the litigation and intellectual property practice groups. Iancu’s practice focuses on intellectual property litigation. He has also been involved in all other aspects of the intellectual property practice, including patent and trademark prosecution, due diligence and licensing. Iancu is registered to practice in the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office. He has represented clients across the technology spectrum, including those associated with medical devices, genetic testing, therapeutics, the Internet, telephony, TV broadcasting, video game systems and computer peripherals.

In addition to his practice, Iancu is an Adjunct Professor at the UCLA School of Law where he co-teaches an advanced patent law class. Iancu has a Bachelor’s Degree in Aerospace Engineering and a Master’s Degree in Mechanical Engineering, both from UCLA. Prior to law school, Iancu was an engineer at Hughes Aircraft Co. where he received several awards including the Malcolm R. Currie Innovation Award. He is still licensed as a Professional Engineer in California.

Iancu frequently speaks and writes on intellectual property matters. In 2009, he was awarded the 36th Annual Rossman Award from the Patent and Trademark Office Society for his article “Code on Disks and Hat Tricks - Is Computer Software on a Medium Really Patentable?” published in the February 2008 edition of the Journal of the Patent and Trademark Office Society. This award is given for the Journal article that “makes the greatest contribution to the fields of patents, trademarks and copyrights” during the publication year.
Stephen Nichols, a principal of Polsinelli, one of the country's largest law firms with over 800 attorneys in 19 offices, is a highly respected, nationally recognized trial attorney who handles some of the most complex, high risk, and lengthy toxic tort and products liability trials in the legal profession. Nichols’ exceptionally high success rate in jury trials, coupled with his deep understanding of the trial process from both the plaintiff and defense perspective, and his masterful ability to take very complex subject matter and distill it into information that members of a jury can understand make him an exceptional lawyer and a thought leader in the profession.

One of the things that differentiates Nichols’ practice from most others, is that the cases he tries are so large and complex that they have their own set of general orders of the court that pertain to them. Nichols works closely with a team of attorneys who prepare these cases for trial with his guidance and who then pass the baton to Nichols, who then presents the case to the jury.

Nichols is masterful at taking a set of facts and science and medical information that is complex, complicated and difficult to understand (and that is used to pursue his clients for tens of millions of dollars in compensatory damages) and distilling that information down into a simple, understandable, set of information that he can talk to a jury about so that they can better understand it all in order to reach a just and fair verdict.

Caesars Entertainment would like to congratulate all of the nominees, finalists and winners of the Los Angeles Business Journal’s Leaders in Law Event.
LAWYER OF THE YEAR (31-75 ATTORNEYS IN LOS ANGELES)

JULIA STRICKLAND
Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP

When major financial services companies and retailers are targets of multi-state class actions that put them at risk of losing not only millions of customers but costing them billions of dollars, they often rely on Julia B. Strickland to counsel and defend them. Strickland is the managing partner of Stroock’s Los Angeles office and the head of the firm’s national Financial Services/Class Action Litigation Practice. Her client list is a “who’s who” of the financial services industry, including JPMorgan Chase, HSBC, TransUnion, Discover, American Express, Citigroup, PayPal, BMW Financial Services, Zappos and Synchrony Bank.

Strickland recently secured a win in an important case involving the interpretation of California’s often-litigated call recording statute. On August 5, 2016, the California Superior Court for the County of San Diego granted her motion for summary judgment on behalf of HSBC where the Plaintiff alleged that HSBC violated California’s call recording statute. Accepting Strickland’s argument, the Court held that HSBC did not intentionally record the particular telephone calls at issue. There is a dearth of case law interpreting California’s call recording statute under similar facts and significant potential damages so this was a significant win for HSBC.

Strickland was also lead counsel in the largest single settlement of data security litigation to date, which could set a precedent for future deals. Strickland advised JPMorgan Chase with respect to their rights under a $67 million deal to resolve claims arising out of Target’s well-publicized 2013 data security breach. Stroock successfully advocated for additional terms to protect JPMC’s interests in the matter.

LAWYER OF THE YEAR (1-30 ATTORNEYS IN LOS ANGELES)

CHRISTOPHER CALDWELL
Caldwell Leslie & Proctor, PC

There are lawyers in Los Angeles who should be recognized for their litigation skills, or ability to attract A-list clients, or forward-looking management of their firms, or commitment to values like diversity and social justice. However, there are very few lawyers who can do it all. Chris Caldwell does just that. He is a rainmaker, managing partner, first chair, mentor, and advocate. He embodies what it means to be a leader.

Chris Caldwell is a founding partner of Caldwell Leslie & Proctor, PC, a litigation boutique in downtown Los Angeles. Over the past three decades, he has helped the firm grow to nearly 30 lawyers. In fact, the firm has more than doubled in size since 2001, while maintaining a culture based on excellence, diversity, and commitment to the community. Caldwell has also been a driving advocate for ensuring more diversity in the legal community. As a litigation firm where more than half of the attorneys at the firm are women or people of color, twenty percent are gay or lesbian, and the firm is comprised almost entirely of former federal court clerks, the firm recognized the particular importance of federal law clerk diversity. In an effort to develop a pipeline of diverse lawyers who have clerked, the firm established a Diversity Summer Fellowship in 2013, which emphasizes practical skills. He has developed a collaborative and inclusive culture that ensures young lawyers are actively engaged in matters from the onset so they have an opportunity not just to review documents, but also to learn to litigate cases successfully with the client’s objectives always in mind.
THOMAS GIRARDI
Girardi & Keese

A founding partner of Girardi & Keese, a downtown Los Angeles law firm, Thomas Girardi, in 1970, became the first attorney in the state of California to win a $1 million-plus award for a medical malpractice case. Girardi has handled major cases against the former Lockheed Corp (now the Lockheed Martin Corp.), Pacific Gas & Electric Co, Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, and Hollywood’s seven major movie studios. Widely regarded by his peers as one of the nation’s top trial lawyers and with nearly fifty years of experience representing victims, Girardi has obtained numerous multi-million dollar verdicts and settlements, handling claims involving wrongful death, commercial litigation, products liability, bad faith insurance, and toxic torts. In 2003, he received the most prestigious honor of being inducted into the Trial Lawyer Hall of Fame by the California State Bar.

Girardi is a Member of the Board of Directors and former President of the prestigious International Academy of Trial Lawyers, an invitation-only worldwide organization, limited to 500 trial lawyers. Girardi is also the first trial lawyer to be appointed to the California Judicial Council, the policymaking body of the state courts.

In one of his better-known cases against Pacific Gas & Electric, the utility company agreed to pay $333 million to 650 residents of the desert community of Hinkley, California. The residents blamed incidents of cancer and other diseases on contaminated water leaked from a gas pumping station. This case was the inspiration for the film “Erin Brockovich,” starring Julia Roberts.

LEGAL AID FOUNDATION OF LOS ANGELES

Since 1929, Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles has provided civil legal aid to poor and low-income people in Los Angeles County. Now with five neighborhood offices, three Domestic Violence Clinics and four Self-Help Legal Access Centers, LAFLA serves communities as diverse as East Los Angeles, the Westside, South Los Angeles, Koreatown and Long Beach. LAFLA is the first place thousands of poor people turn to when they need legal assistance for a crisis that threatens their shelter, health and livelihood.

In 2015, LAFLA provided services to more than 80,000 people, including more than 15,000 children. The organization helped more than 39,000 people at its Self-Help Legal Access Centers. More than 11,000 people attended legal clinics and educational workshops, and LAFLA provided referrals to almost 30,000 people.

On a daily basis, Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles seeks to achieve equal justice for poor and low-income people in greater Los Angeles. The organization strives to change lives through direct representation, systems change and community education. To achieve its mission, LAFLA’s expert team of attorneys, paralegals, and support staff work with the community in a variety of ways, including providing direct representation; offering counsel and advice; providing referrals; and educating the community about its legal rights through workshops and seminars. LAFLA’s legal priorities encompass supporting families; preserving quality, affordable housing; maintaining economic stability; promoting safety, security, and health; serving populations with special vulnerabilities; and protecting human and civil rights.
RISING STAR ATTORNEY OF THE YEAR

PERLETTE JURA
Gibson Dunn Crutcher LLP

Perlette Jura is an all-star litigator, community leader and a trailblazer in the rapidly growing field of transnational litigation. Over the past 12 years, she has helped develop and launch Gibson Dunn’s Transnational Litigation Practice Group, which she co-chairs. She also speaks globally about cutting-edge cross-border issues and has played a pivotal role in several high-profile transnational matters for clients such as Intel, Toyota, Altria, Yahoo, Facebook, Dole and Chevron, with some of their most complex litigation. She also has substantial environmental and appellate expertise.

Jura is also an important member of the legal community and a champion of women’s issues: she co-chairs Gibson Dunn’s Los Angeles Hiring Committee and devotes significant time to high-impact pro bono work, including serving as a Military Commission Observer for the 9/11 proceedings in Guantanamo Bay, traveling to Kenya to help stop wildlife poaching and participating in the 2016 Women in Law Hackathon. One example of recent success is that Jura was one of the lead lawyers at Gibson Dunn responsible for winning a $2.75 billion RICO suit against Yahoo! Jura, along with Ted Boutrous and Scott Edelman, were able to win the case on a motion to dismiss, which was granted on March 31, 2016. She was the lead architect of the brief and the arguments made by the team.

Jura’s pro bono and community service is equally impressive. For over a decade, she has done high impact pro bono work that focuses on protecting civil rights and preserving endangered wildlife.

RISING STAR ATTORNEY OF THE YEAR

MISTY SANFORD
Munger Tolles & Olson LLP

Whether leading major real estate transactions in cities from San Francisco to Philadelphia, or founding and running a distinctive pipeline program aimed at improving diversity within the legal profession, Munger, Tolles & Olson partner and legal rising star Misty Sanford is a leader in real estate law and in the California legal community. Sanford advises real estate powerhouses including Tishman Speyer and Caruso Affiliated, among others, on their most prominent real estate deals, while also devoting countless hours to pro bono work and community service. With a sophisticated and broad-based real estate and land use transactional practice, Sanford is adept in all aspects of real estate, with an emphasis on purchase and sale, finance, development, portfolio investments, leasing and environmental issues.

As an example, Sanford represented Tishman Speyer, one of the leading owners, developers, operators and fund managers of first-class real estate worldwide, in a $379 million acquisition of a 528,100 square-foot, Class A, office tower, which is part of a mixed-use office and residential project in San Francisco. Sanford also represented Tishman Speyer in connection with the acquisition, financing and repositioning of a 260,000-square-foot office building located in El Segundo. Also, in a deal that was many years in the making, real estate developer Rick Caruso gained approval in January 2015 to re-develop the beachfront Miramar Hotel in Montecito. Sanford represented Caruso Affiliated Holdings in obtaining construction financing for the $135 million project, which is a 175-room luxury beach resort expected to open in 2017.
JEFFREY HARLESTON
UNIVERSAL MUSIC GROUP

Jeffrey Harleston is General Counsel and Executive Vice President of Business & Legal Affairs for North America for Universal Music Group, located in Santa Monica. The Universal Music Group, a division of Vivendi, is a worldwide leader in recorded music with companies in over 40 countries. Harleston is a key member of the senior executive team and responsible for overseeing all business transactions, contracts, and litigation for UMG’s North American operations. He is also responsible for the development of corporate policies including the coordination of the company’s government relations, trade and anti-piracy activities so as to ensure a unified strategy across all of the company’s divisions.

Harleston has been with Universal for eighteen years, most recently as Senior Vice President, Business & Legal Affairs for Universal Music Group. For five years prior to that, he held the positions of Executive Vice President/Head of Operations for Geffen Records and Senior Vice President of Business & Legal Affairs for MCA Records.

LISA KIM PAI
BANK OF HOPE (FORMERLY WILSHIRE BANCORP INC.)

Kim Pai, also known as Lisa, has been Chief Legal and Human Resources Officer, Corporate Secretary and Executive Vice President of Wilshire Bancorp Inc. (recently rebranded as Bank of Hope) since December 2012. Pai is responsible for overseeing corporate governance, providing legal advice and managing bank-wide human resource matters. She served as the Chief Legal and Human Resources Officer, Corporate Secretary and Executive Vice President of Wilshire Bancorp Inc., since December 2012.

Pai has more than 20 years of experience in the legal profession, primarily serving as General Counsel and Corporate Secretary for leading financial institutions focused on the Korean-American community. She served as Chief Risk Officer, Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary of Center Financial Corp. since February 2007. She has served as President of the Korean American Bar Association and serves on the Advisory boards of the Asian Pacific Alumni Association of UCLA and the Korean American Bar Association.

LILY YAN-HUGHES
PUBLIC STORAGE

Experienced and award-winning attorney Lily Yan Hughes’ aspiration to assume the role of general counsel came to fruition in January of 2015 when she joined Public Storage as its Senior Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Corporate Secretary. She leads a legal and internal audit services team, providing leadership and oversight for all legal and internal audit matters, including corporate, securities, governance, litigation, employment, real estate and investor relations and communications, and advising the public company’s board of trustees.

What is even more impressive is that she and her legal team provide legal counsel and support to two public companies based in Los Angeles, Public Storage and PS Business Parks, Inc., a public NYSE-listed company also based in Glendale, with its own market cap of close to $3 billion. She provides counsel to not only the board, C-suite and business teams at Public Storage, she also provides legal counsel to the board, C-suite and business teams at PS Business Parks.

ROBERT URBAND
PABST BREWING COMPANY

Robert Urband is the Chief Legal Officer of Pabst Brewing Company, the world’s largest American-owned brewer. Last year, Urband joined Pabst Brewing Company, where he oversees and directs all legal activities, including providing strategic legal advice on complex business transactions, managing compliance and regulatory functions and overseeing the work of outside counsel. Urband’s efforts have played an integral role in the continued growth of Pabst Brewing Company. In particular, this past year has provided Urband with a significant opportunity to be recognized for his work on Pabst’s strategic partnerships and other critical initiatives. Urband’s work was integral in Pabst’s two most recent strategic transactions. Pabst announced an exclusive long-term partnership with C&C Group, PLC in conjunction with its wholly-owned US subsidiary, Vermont Hard Cider Company; and a brewing agreement with Craft Brew Alliance, Inc., under which Pabst’s subsidiary, Rainer Brewing Company will begin brewing Rainer Pale Mountain Ale.

ROBERT RADER
SANTA MONICA COLLEGE/OVATION NETWORK

Rob Rader is a highly experienced general counsel with over 15 years of general counsel and business affairs experience for high-growth digital media companies, multi-billion dollar media companies and retailers, and major boutique law firms, including over $7 billion of M&A and financings. He presently serves as General Counsel and Corporate Secretary at Ovation TV, where he has direct responsibility for all business and legal matters.

Rader is also highly active in public service. He is an elected Trustee and Chair of the Board of Santa Monica College, the nation’s top community college with over 30,000 students and an annual budget of $550 million, representing the people of Santa Monica and Malibu. As a member of the Board of Directors of Downtown Santa Monica Inc., he serves as Treasurer and Chair of the Finance Committee for the nation’s leading business improvement district that mans approximately 3 mi x 2 mi area, generating sales of over $900 million.
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Michael Woronoff

For over two decades, Michael Woronoff has been one of the nation’s leading corporate lawyers, and since joining Proskauer 12 years ago, he has been an integral part of the growth of Proskauer’s highly regarded global Corporate Department and Los Angeles office. In 2015, he was elected to the firm’s seven-member Executive Committee. He also serves as managing partner of the Los Angeles office, and co-head of the firm’s Private Equity and Mergers & Acquisitions groups.

Woronoff focuses his practice on private equity, M&A and capital markets transactions. He handles a broad range of matters for some of the country’s best-known private equity firms, corporations, investment banks and other institutions. In the last 24 months alone, he has handled deals totaling over $15 billion, including the high-profile $6 billion acquisition of Neiman Marcus and the widely publicized initial public offerings of his longtime clients Arm Management and Smart & Final.

Jennifer Jackson

Jenny Jackson is the first woman to serve as managing partner of Bryan Cave LLP’s Los Angeles office since its founding in 1979. Over the course of her 19-year career with the global law firm, she has worked her way up from a summer associate to the managing partner of the 55-attorney Los Angeles office. She was one of the first women in the Los Angeles office to be promoted to partner and was appointed managing partner only three years later, making her one of the youngest partners to hold this position at this time. In this role, she leads initiatives focused on strategic office growth, client development, diversity, and mentoring.

In her legal practice, Jackson serves as a trusted counselor to her clients, skillfully advising and defending leading financial institutions against individual and class claims for violation of federal and state lending laws, mortgage servicing claims, and consumer protection and unfair competition claims.

Nancy Smith

Over the past several years, Nancy Smith — a co-founder of Nossaman’s Infrastructure Practice Group — has served as lead counsel to public agencies on some of the largest, highest profile, and most innovative infrastructure and transportation projects in California and nationwide.

These projects include the $5.6 billion Purple Line Light Rail System located in the Maryland/DC Corridor — which reached commercial close in April of 2016 and financial close in June of 2016, and is the largest full design-build finance-operate-maintain (DBFOM) public-private partnership (PPP) in the history of the U.S., among other significant projects. Additionally, Smith has been involved in a number of other high profile projects under construction or in the procurement phase — including the $3.1 billion Tappan Zee Bridge Replacement Project; the $900 million I-405 Improvement project, the $5 billion Landside Access Modernization Program at LAX; the California High Speed Rail project, and others.

Alex Weingarten

Alex Weingarten represents clients in all facets of business, probate and entertainment litigation and has tried matters across the nation. He does not merely litigate cases and settle; he has a strong track record of picking juries and winning verdicts. Clients look to Weingarten to handle high profile cases, to protect their integrity during the very public litigation process, to provide a fresh approach and to suggest novel and overlooked strategies.

He is aggressive to optimize results and prides himself on finding the most direct route to victory. Sometimes that means finding a creative solution around a difficult problem. Sometimes it means bowing through it. This year alone, Weingarten has tried and won three cases with three additional cases slated to go to trial before the end of the 2016.

In addition to an army of high profile matters, Weingarten has previously handled matters for HBO, Bert Michaels, Snoop Dogg and Jennifer Lopez amongst many others.

Gloria Allred

Gloria Allred is probably the best-known woman attorney practicing law in the nation today. She is a tireless and successful advocate whose high-profile legal battles on behalf of victims whose rights have been violated have led to many landmark precedent-setting court decisions and hundreds of millions of dollars for her clients.

When a high-profile legal case hits the airwaves, we have become accustomed to seeing Gloria Allred in some key role as attorney or commentator. But this nationally recognized advocate has built her pioneering career on much more than O.J. Simpson and Amber Frey. As a tireless crusader against discrimination in all areas of our lives, Allred’s legal reach has been wide and long. We saluted her 25 years of in the business with our 25th anniversary list in 2015.

Alex Calfo

Alex Calfo has been recognized as a leading corporate lawyer by Billboard magazine, corporate finance and securities counsel of the Year by the Los Angeles Business Journal, and a trusted legal advisor to top companies. In 2015, Calfo was named one of the top 20 lawyers in Los Angeles in the ABA Journal. He is widely regarded as a corporate leader and mentor.

Tre Lovell

Tre Lovell is known for his excellence in the legal field and his strong relationships with clients. Having been practicing for nearly 28 years, Lovell has taken on some of the largest cases, including international post schemes and high profile entertainment litigation. For example, Lovell single-handedly represented 144 victims in a $220 million post scheme against 25 defendants in 5 countries, securing millions in recovery.

Lovell was awarded the Litigator Award for two years in a row (2014-2015) by the Trial Lawyers Board of Regents for extraordinary litigation achievement. Lovell serves as Global Law Experts’ exclusive representative expert from California for litigation, and has received an array of accolades for business and entertainment law. He believes that the most important thing in practicing law is the client and the client relationship — and the honesty, transparency and constant communication that come with providing the best possible representation for each client.

The Alliance for Children’s Rights protects the rights of impoverished, abused and neglected children and youth. By providing free legal services and advocacy, the Alliance ensures children have safe, stable homes, healthcare, and the education they need to thrive. Since 1992, the Alliance has served 125,000 children, with efforts focused on three main areas: 1) free legal services and advocacy for children in poverty and in foster care, 2) training and education for those who work with or care for these children, and 3) system-wide reform to change policies to improve children’s lives.

The Alliance cuts through the bureaucracy of the courts, healthcare system, school districts and government agencies to secure a brighter future for children in need. Its staff and extensive network of pro bono attorneys advocate directly for individual children, and work toward broader policy reform. With every child and youth reached, the objective is to identify and address their needs in a holistic way, providing all the opportunities and advantages available to them.
ADVANCING JUSTICE – LOS ANGELES
(ASIAN AMERICAN LEGAL CENTER OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA)

Founded in 1983 as the Asian Pacific American Legal Center, Asian Americans Advancing Justice – Los Angeles serves more than 15,000 individuals and organizations every year. Through direct services, impact litigation, policy advocacy, leadership development, and capacity building, the group focuses on the most vulnerable members of Asian American and NHBPI communities while also building a strong voice for civil rights and social justice. Asian Americans Advancing Justice - Los Angeles is part of Asian Americans Advancing Justice, a national affiliation of civil rights nonprofit organizations.

Advancing Justice - LA serves its clients in numerous languages including Korean, Japanese, Mandarin, Cantonese, Khmer, Indonesian, Tagalog, and Vietnamese, along with English and Spanish. Advancing Justice - LA is one of the only legal organizations in Los Angeles County that maintains this breadth of language capacity, and thus is an important resource to limited English proficient speakers who are in need of legal assistance.

PUBLIC COUNSEL

Public Counsel is the largest pro bono law firm in the nation. The firm works with major law firms and corporations to change people’s futures. It’s staff of 71 attorneys and 50 support staff - including five social workers - along with over 5,000 volunteer lawyers, law students and legal professionals assist over 30,000 children, youth, families, and community organizations every year.

Founded in 1970, Public Counsel is the public interest law firm of the Los Angeles County and Beverly Hills Bar Associations as well as the Southern California affiliate of the Lawyers’ Committee for Civil Rights Under Law. Public Counsel’s activities are far ranging and impact a wide spectrum of people who live at or below the poverty level. Volunteer attorneys have the opportunity to work on a variety of different projects-large and small, litigation and transactional matters. Public Counsel’s staff provides training, model pleadings and forms and consultations to volunteers.

KEVIN EHRRHART
LATHAM & WATKINS LLP
Kevin Ehrhart advises some of the most active and sophisticated real estate players in Los Angeles, and he is a nationally recognized market leader. He represents real estate investors, capital providers, owners, developers and others in all aspects of real estate related transactions. His practice focuses on capital investment directed to real estate and real estate operating companies, financings within all segments of the capital stack, joint ventures, property and operating company acquisitions and joint ventures.

This past year, Ehrhart advised on some of the highest profile real estate deals in the region, including advising Lincoln Property Company and Alcion Ventures in the $500 million sale of Runway @ Playa Vista, a newly developed trophy multi-use project located in the Playa Vista area of Los Angeles. He also advised Lincoln Property Company and ASB Real Estate Investments in the acquisition and subsequent disposition of 20 acres of land in Playa Vista to Google, Inc.

RISING STAR ATTORNEY OF THE YEAR
RYAN FIFE
DRINKER BIDDLE & REATH LLP
With more than a decade of experience in all aspects of civil litigation, Ryan Fife has steadily built a reputation as being a reliable and trusted litigator. He is often called upon by colleagues in other firm offices to advise on a broad range of practice areas from life insurance and employment to product liability and environmental. As lead counsel on a variety of matters, he investigates and develops the facts through targeted discovery, handles oral argument on dispositive motions, and develops and executes a litigation strategy designed to achieve the client’s objectives.

Recently, Fife has represented clients in breach of contract, trade secret misappropriation, defamation, copyright infringement and securities fraud cases arising from a variety of sectors including entertainment, real estate, tech, aerospace and manufacturing. Within the firm, Fife is a strong advocate and mentor for the firm’s associates and served for three years as the Los Angeles representative to the Associates Committee and mentoring program.
1. Barbara Zimmerman and Jeanne Davison (AECOM)
2. Eric Richards and his team (O’Melveny & Myers)
3. Presenting Sponsor Tom Wingard and his team (Alston & Bird)
4. Chadwick Ho (Hulu) and Sheree Ho
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8. Erikhson Morales (Mintz Levin)
9. Thomas Gevorg (Girardi & Keese)
10. Allison Buchner (Dollar Shave Club) with Nimalka Wickramasinghe, Beth Weinstein, and Sharre Lotfollahi (Kirkland & Ellis)
11. Mike Gold (City National Bank) with his family
12. Steve Berliner (Bluhrman Law Firm)
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Joseph Akrotirianakis, Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romero
David C. Allen, Barnes & Thornburg LLP
Gloria Allred, Allred, Monoko & Goldberg
Nannina Angioni, Kazidian LLP
Cindy Strom Arellano, Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romero
Elena R. Baca, Paul Hastings
Adam J. Bass, Buchalter Nemer
Marc Andre’ Bertet, Hersh Mannis LLP
Lisa Bloom, The Bloom Firm
Karie Boyd, Boyd Law
Larry Braun, Sheppard Mullin
Brad D. Brian, Munger, Tolles & Olson LLP
Christopher G. Caldwell, Caldwell Leslie & Proctor, PC
Alex Calfo, King & Spalding
Lisa Callif, Donaldson + Callif
Russell Ching, Russell Ching Law
Apalla Chopra, O’Melveny & Myers LLP
Noel S. Cohen, Polsinelli LLP
Joan Cotkin, Nassaman
Aaron Craig, Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romero
Scott Dauscher, Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romero
Richard F. Davis, Greenberg Traurig
Dennis M. P. Ehling, Blank Rome LLP
Kevin Ehrhart, Latham & Watkins LLP
Craig A. Emanuel, Loeb & Loeb
Dawn B. Eyerly, Freeman Freeman & Smiley, LLP
John Fagerholm, M.E.T.A.L Law Group
Ryan Fife, Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP
Eric Garner, Best Best & Krieger
Kevin Gaut, Mitchell Silberberg & Knupp LLP
Albert Giang, Caldwell Leslie & Proctor, PC
Thomas V. Girardi, Girardi Keese
Patricia L. Glaser, Glaser Weil
Timothy R. Graves, Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard & Smith
Mark S. Greenfield, Blank Rome LLP
Patrick Harder, Nassaman
Neal Raymond Hersh, Hersh Mannis LLP

Don Hunt, Norton Rose Fulbright
Andrei Iancu, Irell & Manella
John M. Iino, Reed Smith
Jennifer A. Jackson, Bryan Cave LLP
Duncan Joseph-Moore, Latham & Watkins LLP
Perlette Jura, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP
Jason M. Karlov, Barnes & Thornburg LLP
George Kieffer, Manatt, Phelps & Phillips, LLP
Eric Klein, Sheppard Mullin
Marilyn Klingler, Sedgwick LLP
Amirk Kulkarni, Meyers Nave
Aaron Lewis, Covington & Burling LLP
Stuart A. Liner, Liner LLP
Adam Philip Lapidus, Hersh Mannis LLP
Jason Lo, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP
Leo Lovett, The Lovell Firm, A Professional Law Corporation
Barry MacNaughton, Enkin Coven & Jessup LLP
Steven D. Manning, Manning & Kass Ellrod, Ramirez, Trester LLP
Joseph Mannis, Hersh Mannis LLP
Nina Marino, Kaplan Marino
Matthew Mch Nicholas, MchNicholas & MchNicholas LLP
Richard Mendelson, Seyfarth Shaw
Steven Mindel, Feinberg Mindel Brandt & Klein
Haleh Naimi, Advocate Solutions, Inc.
Jerald B. Neuman, Liner, LLP
George B. Newhouse, Jr., Dentons US LLP
Stephen M. Nichols, Polsinelli LLP
Greg Nitzkowski, Paul Hastings LLP
Thomas P. O’Brien, Paul Hastings, LLP
Mark Palin, Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romero
Parima Pandkhou, Wasserman, Cooperman and Mandiles
R. Rex Parris, R. Rex Parris Law Firm
Dan Petrocelli, O’Melveny & Myers
Stacy D. Phillips, Blank Rome LLP
Jill Pietrini, Sheppard Mullin
Jennifer Post, Raines Feldman LLP
Nick Puji, Dentons US LLP

Lisa Quateman, Polsinelli LLP
William Quicksilver, Manatt, Phelps & Phillips
John B. Quinn, Quinn Emanuel Trial Lawyers
Eric Richards, O’Melveny & Myers LLP
Rick Richmond, Jenner & Block LLP
Richard Ian Ross, Richard Ross Associates
Jason D. Russell, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flor LP
Misty M. Sanford, Munger, Tolles & Olson LLP
David Schindler, Latham & Watkins LLP
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Laura Wilson Shelly, Seyfarth Shaw
Maya Shulman, Shulman Family Law Group
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Randye B. Soref, Polsinelli LLP
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Kalpana Srinivasan, Susman Godfrey LLP
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Julia B. Strickland, Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP
Peter Strotz, King & Spalding
Jeffrey S. Horton Thomas, Thomas Employment Law Advocates
Stephen Tsonoff, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP
Jennifer Wallis, Manning & Kass Ellrod, Ramirez, Trester LLP
Peter M. Weil, Glaser Weil
Alex M. Weingarten, Verenal
Bart Williams, Proskauer Rose LLP
Michael P. Wippler, Dykema Gossett PLLC
Michael Woronoff, Proskauer Rose LLP
Edward Zaitel, Akir Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP
Ken Ziffren, Ziffren Brittenham LLP
Alliance for Children’s Rights
Asian Americans Advancing Justice
Lamda Legal
Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles
Public Counsel
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Michael Alvarado, Five Point Holdings
Allison Buchner, Dollar Shave Club
Mike B. Cahill, City National Bank
Lee Cheng, Newegg
Carla J. Christofferson, AECOM
Anthony Culpepper, Travelers
Todd Davis, Los Angeles Rams
Rashmi Dayal Chachra, Wedbush Securities
John M. DeMarco, Lowe Enterprises
Camilla Eng, JM Eagle
Sam Fernandez, LA Dodgers
Ted Fikre, AEG
Larry Freedman, Los Angeles Football Club
Jonathan Gefland, BeachBody
Jessica Graham, 1st Century Bank

Daniel M. Grigsby, The Los Angeles Lakers, Inc.
Jeffrey S. Harleston, Universal Music Group
Chadwick Ho, Hulu
Roxana Jamshidi, TrueCar, Inc.
Lisa Kim Pai, Bank of Hope
Jonathan M. Kua, Korn/Ferry International
Charles LaChaussee, Wedbush Securities
Amy Lerner-Hill, City National Bank
Richard B. Levy, ICM Partners
Jeff Linden, RadNet, Inc.
Eileen L. Lyon, Citizen Business Bank
Jason Matthes, Spokeo
Linda Menzel, Loot Crate
Margaret Morrow, Public Counsel
Glenn Nieves, Wilcon

Perry Pappous, Mitsubishi Electric
Charles Parkin, City of Long Beach
Guthrie Paterson, Trace3, Inc.
James L. (“Jim”) Perzik, The Los Angeles Lakers, Inc.
Robert Rader, Ovation Network
Michael Rowles, Live Nation Entertainment
Robert Urband, Patstat Brewing Company
John Varley, Virgin America
Framroze Virjee, The California State University
Chris Walter, Activision Blizzard
Joshua White, BAMKO
Marty Willhite, Legendary Pictures, LLC
Alex Winsberg, Los Angeles Angeles of Anaheim
Lily Yan Hughes, Public Storage
Carolyn Yashari-Becher, HopSkipDrive