

## Fisher Phillips Announces New Managing Partner of Atlanta Office

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ATLANTA, GA (October 1, 2013) – Fisher Phillips announced that Atlanta native D. Albert "Bert" Brannen has been named the new managing partner of the Atlanta office. A seasoned attorney with extensive experience with the firm, Brannen will manage the firm's largest office, which includes 45 attorneys. Brannen follows Thomas P. Rebel, who completed his two-year term as the managing partner. Rebel continues to serve as a member of the firm's management committee, which appointed Brannen to his new post.

Brannen said: "My goal as managing partner in Atlanta is to help direct this office's continued growth and to build on our stellar client service. For the past two years, Tom Rebel has been instrumental in helping to steer the firm's growth, and I look forward to continuing on the strategic path he helped to blaze."

Firm Chairman and Managing Partner Roger Quillen added, "Bert's energy, commitment to excellence and dedication to our firm equip him as the right person to move into this important role."

Since 1982, Brannen has represented employers exclusively in solving labor and employment law problems in the workplace. He counsels employers about how to avoid workplace crises, comply with all applicable laws and prevent litigation. He also spends a significant amount of his time advising employers on union-related matters and in assisting employers with the administration, negotiation, mediation and arbitration of collective bargaining agreements.

Brannen has served as chairman of the Labor and Employment Law Section of the State Bar of Georgia. He is a past member of the board for the Georgia Branch of the Associated General Contractors (AGC) and past chair of AGC's national Labor & Employment Law Council. He is a member of the Society of Human Resources Management, Human Resources Leadership Foundation (HRLF), Electric Cooperative Bar Association, Lawyers Club of Atlanta and other professional groups. He also teaches a class on labor and employment law at Georgia Institute of Technology, where he earned his undergraduate degree. He received an MBA and law degree at the University of Georgia with honors.

Brannen has been included in *Georgia Super Lawyers* since 2005, *The Best Lawyers in America* since 2010, Georgia's "Legal Elite" and a *2013 Top Rated Lawyer in Labor & Employment* by

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