

Memphis Attorneys Listed in 2016 Mid-South Super Lawyers and Rising Stars

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MEMPHIS, TN (November 8, 2016) – Fisher Phillips today announced that two of its Memphis attorneys, senior counsel Jay Kiesewetter and managing partner Jeff Weintraub, were selected for inclusion in the 2016 *Mid-South Super Lawyers* by their peers. Attorneys Courtney Leyes, Gabriel McGaha and Robert W. Ratton III were also listed in *Rising Stars.*

"We are honored to have such a large representation of Fisher Phillips Memphis attorneys in this year's *Mid-South Super Lawyers* and *Rising Stars*," said Weintraub. "We are proud of this elite group of individuals and look forward to seeing them continue to grow at our firm."

Super Lawyers rates extraordinary lawyers, who have achieved a high degree of peer recognition and professional accomplishments, from more than 70 practice areas. The multiphase rating process combines independent research, peer nominations and peer evaluations, with each candidate evaluated on 12 different indicators of peer recognition and professional achievement. The selections are completed on an annual, state-by-state basis. The final published *Super Lawyers* list represents the top five percent of the lawyers in the state, and no more than 2.5 percent are named to *Rising Stars*.

Jay Kiesewetter was selected for inclusion in 2016 *Mid-South Super Lawyers* in the employment and labor law category. In his role as senior counsel, Kiesewetter devotes his practice to representing clients in the traditional areas of labor relations and employment law. He counsels employers in all aspects of union-free management and advises non-union companies facing union organizing activity. Kiesewetter's recognitions include being named as part of America's Leading Lawyers for Business by *Chambers USA*, as well as being recognized by *Mid-South Super Lawyers* every year since 2007.

Jeff Weintraub was selected for inclusion in 2016 *Mid-South Super Lawyers* in the employment and labor law category. In his role as managing partner, Weintraub represents employers in jury trials and employment lawsuits, Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) collective actions, labor cases and the like in all federal and state courts and agencies, various Courts of Appeals and the U.S. Supreme Court. His national recognitions include rankings with *Chambers USA*'s leading labor and employment attorneys and Mid-South *Super Lawyers*, the latter of which he has been included in for 11 consecutive years.

Courtney Leyes was selected for inclusion in 2016 *Mid-South Rising Stars* in the employment litigation: defense category. In her role as associate, Leyes has represented employers in litigation related to discrimination and harassment in the workplace, particularly in federal jury trials. Leyes also has experience representing employers on wage and hour issues in both the court system and before the Department of Labor's Wage & Hour Division. Specifically, she has represented employers in several FLSA collective actions over the past couple of years. Leyes has been listed in *Mid-South Super Lawyers Rising Stars* since 2014.

Gabriel McGaha was selected for inclusion in 2016 *Mid-South Rising Stars* in the employment litigation: defense category. In his role as associate, McGaha represents clients on a variety of employment-related matters, including those involving harassment, discrimination and retaliation claims. He has significant experience preparing matters for litigation, as well as serving as lead counsel at trial.

Robert W. Ratton III was selected for inclusion in 2016 *Mid-South Rising Stars* in the employment and labor category. In his role as of counsel, Ratton advises clients regarding a wide range of employment law matters, including those related to Family and Medical Leave Act, FLSA and Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Ratton has tried over 30 jury trials to verdict and represented clients in front of state and federal courts at both the trial and appellate level.

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