



Florida Trend Magazine Recognizes Christine Howard as a Notable Managing Partner Within its Selection of This Year's "Legal Elite"

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Fisher Phillips, one of the country's preeminent labor and employment law firms representing employers, is pleased to announce that **Christine Howard** has been recognized as a "Notable Managing Partner" among *Florida Trend's* Legal Elite.

This is *Florida Trend's* inaugural year recognizing the State's "Notable Managing Partners," whom are all part of a distinguished group of 90 exceptional leaders with outstanding contributions to the legal profession. The publication received scores of nominations for managing partners from both small and large firms across the state whose responsibilities range from setting the corporate vision and long-term growth strategies to overseeing day to day personnel and administrative operations.

For her part, Christine was recognized as a member of the firm's three-person Management Committee. She was elected to that position in 2019, the first woman to serve on the Committee in the firm's history. She remains on the Management Committee to this day, and in that capacity, Christine, along with the other two members, are responsible for the general management of the firm, strategic planning, compensation decisions, high-level recruiting, and other law firm oversight. She also served as the Regional Managing Partner of the firm's Tampa office, a position she has held twice over the past decade.

Christine was also profiled as one of the founding Co-Chairs of the firm's Women's Initiative and Leadership Council ("WILC") to help advance women across Fisher Phillips' national platform. And, due in part to Christine's leadership, women now chair 65% of the firm's practice groups and comprise 28% of its partners with female equity partners having increased by 48%.

"I am extremely honored to be recognized for my contributions to a firm that I am fortunate enough to help lead and is filled with such incredible colleagues," said Christine. "In my leadership positions, I strive to focus on what others are saying with undivided attention and engage with their ideas in a thoughtful, meaningful way. I truly believe that being a good listener has helped me guide the firm – both locally and nationally – to achieve success while being good corporate citizens in support of each other and our clients."

Christine has been recognized by a number of other publications for her leadership and was listed among *Corporate Counsel's* 2022 Women, Influence & Power in Law (WIPL) Award recipients in the category of "Top Managing Partners." She also received the *Tampa Bay Business Journal's* 2023 BusinessWoman of the Year Award, which recognized some of the most dynamic and influential business women in the Tampa Bay region.

Her litigation practice has resulted in Christine being recognized by *Best Lawyers* each year since 2015, with the publication naming her "Lawyer of the Year—Litigation—Labor and Employment" in 2022. In addition, Christine has been ranked by *Chambers USA* in the "Labor & Employment" category for the last three consecutive years.

Christine's profile can be viewed in *Florida Trend's* recently published special section, and a full list of the honorees can be found here.

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