



## Fisher Phillips Expands Philadelphia Office

RICK GRIMALDI AND LORI ARMSTRONG HALBER JOIN NATIONAL LABOR & EMPLOYMENT LAW FIRM

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**PHILADELPHIA, PA (February 12, 2013)** - Fisher Phillips announces that two of Philadelphia's most experienced and prominent labor and employment attorneys have joined the firm's Philadelphia office as partners effective February 12, 2013. Formerly with Jackson Lewis in Philadelphia, Rick Grimaldi and Lori Armstrong Halber bring decades of experience in labor and employment law to the national law firm.

Grimaldi's notable career includes private law practice, corporate legal work and government service. He was the founding Managing Partner of the Philadelphia office of Jackson Lewis. Before entering into private practice he held a senior position in the legal department of Unisys Corporation. He also served as Deputy General Counsel to then-Pennsylvania Governor Tom Ridge and was Chief Counsel to the Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry.

Armstrong Halber has devoted her entire legal career to labor and employment law, and was previously a partner at a well-respected Philadelphia full service firm. A graduate of the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School of Business with a concentration in Industrial Relations and Human Resources Management, Armstrong Halber is also an adjunct professor of Employment Discrimination Law at Temple University's Beasley School of Law.

Both Grimaldi and Armstrong Halber represent employers in all aspects of labor relations and employment law. They represent employers in discrimination and wrongful discharge litigation and wage and hours matters, including FLSA collective actions, and assist businesses in traditional labor matters, such as union organizing, arbitration and NLRB proceedings. They also provide counseling and training and regularly speak on such topics as performance management, harassment prevention and leadership development.

Christopher Stief, managing partner of the Philadelphia office, said: "We are very excited to have Rick and Lori joining our team. Our clients will benefit from their extensive experience and broad knowledge of labor and employment law. They are impressive attorneys with deep legal knowledge who also are known for helping clients find practical solutions to challenging legal issues. Their well-known dedication to providing clients with superior service and practical solutions make them an ideal fit for our firm. We're looking forward to working alongside them as we continue to expand in Pennsylvania."

Grimaldi said: "We are excited about joining Fisher Phillips. The Philadelphia office is strong and stable with dynamic leadership that allows us to better serve our clients and grow our practices."

Armstrong Halber added: "We are joining a great team at Fisher Phillips. We were careful in our search to choose a firm with a deep bench and national reach that also understands the nuances of the Philadelphia market."

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