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### STERNE, KESSLER, GOLDSTEIN & FOX RANKED TIER ONE BY *MANAGING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY* IN 2015 “IP STARS” PATENT SURVEY

#### *Firm Receives Six North America IP Award Nominations; Director Named Finalist for PTAB Litigator of the Year*

WASHINGTON, DC – [Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox P.L.L.C.](#), one of the largest U.S. law firms focused solely on intellectual property law, has been recognized by *Managing Intellectual Property* magazine's *IP Stars Patent Survey* with Tier One rankings in three practice areas. The annual ranking recognizes the top-rated firms around the world within the patent industry and this year features Sterne Kessler in the Patent Prosecution, PTAB (Patent Trial and Appeal Board) Litigation, and Bio/Life Sciences categories.

Notably, Sterne Kessler's Patent Prosecution and Bio/Life Sciences teams have received a Tier One classification for the fourth straight year. This year marks the survey's inaugural ranking of PTAB Litigation firms. According to the magazine, these results are based on a rigorous evaluation process that includes the collection of firm feedback through client and professional peer evaluations. The entire 2015 *IP Stars Patent Survey* rankings may be found [here](#).

*Managing Intellectual Property* magazine has also released the nominees for the eighth annual North America IP Awards. This year, Sterne Kessler has been nominated in the following categories:

#### **United States – National Awards**

- Patent Prosecution Firm of the Year
- Specialty IP Firm of the Year
- PTAB Firm of the Year

#### **Northeast – Regional Awards**

- Patent Prosecution Firm of the Year
- Trademark Prosecution Firm of the Year

#### **Individual Awards**

- [Eldora L. Ellison, Ph.D.](#), PTAB Litigator of the Year

The winners of the IP Awards will be announced at a dinner on March 18 in Washington, DC. The full nomination shortlist can be viewed by subscribers of *Managing Intellectual Property* [here](#).

[Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox P.L.L.C.](#) is one of the largest U.S. law firms focused solely on the protection, transfer and enforcement of Intellectual Property Rights. Founded in 1978 and based in Washington, DC, the firm has more than 170 patent attorneys, agents and technical specialists representing a broad range of clients, including emerging and established companies, venture capital firms, universities and select individuals.

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