

## Sterne Kessler Recognized among Law360's "Best Firms for Minority Attorneys"

**Washington, D.C.** (June 17, 2018) – Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox is proud to be recognized among *Law360's* "Best Firms for Minority Attorneys." Based on a survey of over 300 U.S. law firms, Sterne Kessler ranked among the top dozen firms with 20-149 attorneys.

According to *Law360*'s fourth annual "Diversity Snapshot," just over 15 percent of attorneys and about nine percent of partners at surveyed law firms are minorities.

Sterne Kessler, ranked at 11 in its category of the Law360 rankings however, is comprised of 24.6 percent minority attorneys, with 24 percent of partners and 15.2 percent of equity partners identifying as minorities. Twenty five percent of the firm's non-partner attorneys are minorities.

Sterne Kessler has consistently received high rankings for having diversity among its attorney ranks. Additionally, the firm is consistently voted as a "great place to work" by both attorneys and staff, as reflected in Sterne Kessler's status as a *Washington Post* "Top Place to Work" for the fifth consecutive year and nine placements in *The Washington Business Journal's* "Best Work Places" competition.

For the Diversity Snapshot, *Law360* surveyed more than 300 U.S. firms, or firms with a U.S. component, about their overall and minority headcount numbers as of December 31, 2017. Only U.S.-based attorneys were included in the survey, and firms had to have at least 20 U.S.-based attorneys to participate. The top firms in each size category boast diversity levels of at least 22 percent of all attorneys at the firm and more diverse non-partner ranks, developing workforces that at least are beginning to reflect the diversity of U.S. law schools.

Learn more about diversity and inclusion at Sterne Kessler <u>here</u>. The complete list of *Law360*'s "Best Firms for Minority Attorneys" is available <u>here</u>.

## **About Sterne Kessler**

Founded in 1978 and based in Washington, DC, Sterne Kessler is dedicated exclusively to the protection, transfer, and enforcement of intellectual property rights. Our team of attorneys, registered patent agents, students, and technical specialists include some of the country's most respected practitioners of intellectual property law. Most of our professionals hold an advanced level degree, including nearly 50 masters degrees and 50 with a doctorate in science or engineering -- credentials wide and deep enough to fill the faculty of a science-oriented university.

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