

STERNE, KESSLER, GOLDSTEIN & FOX NAMED FIRST-EVER PTAB "FIRM OF THE YEAR" BY MANAGING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY MAGAZINE

Award recognizes Sterne Kessler successes before Patent Trial and Appeal Board at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office



WASHINGTON, DC – <u>Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox P.L.L.C.</u>, one of the largest U.S. law firms focused solely on intellectual property law, has been named "Firm of the Year" by *Managing Intellectual Property* magazine for its inaugural PTAB litigation ranking. This award recognizes Sterne Kessler's superior work representing both petitioners and patent owners before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board at the United States Patent and Trademark Office and affirms its dominance in the post-America Invents Act era on matters involving *inter partes* review, post grant review, derivation and covered business method proceedings.

"We are thrilled with this honor," said <u>Robert Greene Sterne</u>, a founding director of the firm and co-chair of its Patent Office Litigation practice. "Patent practice has been disrupted by these new procedures over the course of the last two and a half years. This award honors the success our Patent Office Litigation team had had in consistently producing wins for our clients – both petitioners and patent owners – before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board."

Managing Intellectual Property announced the recipient of the PTAB "Firm of the Year" award and its other 2015 North American IP awards at an evening ceremony at The Four Seasons Hotel in Washington, DC yesterday. Members of Sterne Kessler's Patent Office Litigation team were on hand to accept the PTAB "Firm of the Year" award.

A full list of award recipients can be viewed by Managing Intellectual Property subscribers here.

Managing Intellectual Property's annual Patent Survey is one of the intellectual property industry's largest and most detailed analyses of the world's leading patent firms. Rankings are based on extensive research that includes client testimonials, prosecution work, and peer reviews from leading attorneys in the field.

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