

Attorneys & Staff Vote Sterne Kessler as a *Washington Post* “Top Workplace” for Sixth Consecutive Year

Washington D.C. (June 24, 2019) – Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox is pleased to announce the firm has been recognized by *The Washington Post* among 150 of the “Top Workplaces” in the Greater Washington, D.C. area for the sixth consecutive year. The “Top Workplaces” distinction features private, public, nonprofit and government agencies that have scored the highest ratings in an anonymous employee survey administered by Energage, LLC.

In a city filled with law firms, Sterne Kessler is again one of few to make the rankings. Specifically, seven law firms are represented in the prestigious list, and Sterne Kessler is one of four firms in the midsize company’s category.

In “Leveling the Playing Field,” one of the “Top Workplaces” special edition articles, *The Post* editors report, “A more equitable approach to handing out high-level assignments has long been a focus for some law firms. At Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox, which specializes in intellectual property law and has been on the ‘Top Workplaces’ list since it began six years ago, 38 percent of the firm’s directors are women or people of color, and technical expertise has always been a primary way people are assigned to jobs.”

Managing Director of Sterne Kessler [Michael B. Ray](#) remarked, “I’m thrilled for our firm to again be recognized by our employees as a ‘Top Workplaces.’ Maintaining our culture of teamwork and mutual respect is challenging in today’s high-pressure, high-stakes practice of law. But we’re doing it, and the result is a happy and productive organization. It’s also great to be acknowledged by *The Post* for our diversity, because we value what each and every person brings to the firm every day. We’re all in this together.”

Further, the online edition of the “Top Workplaces” feature profiles the firm noting, “This D.C. law firm is laser-focused on the hard work of helping companies and individuals protect their ideas. As intellectual property lawyers, associates and partners at Sterne Kessler have to understand the minutia of how clients’ products work. Most have earned advanced technical degrees that lend them scientific or engineering expertise. The offices are not without their creature comforts; one favorite is a coffee bar offering free hot and cold specialty drinks throughout the business day. The office, which is built into a former Greyhound bus station in central D.C., was part of the set of the 1994 movie “True Lies.”

Sterne Kessler’s inclusion on the “Top Workplaces” list comes on the heels of the firm being named a *Washington Business Journal* “Best Place to Work” for the tenth time. Additionally, the firm continues to receive high marks from its associates as a great place to work as published in *The Vault* and *Chambers Associate* guides. More information on these rankings, the firm’s culture, and career opportunities are available at www.sternekeessler.com.

About Sterne Kessler

Based in Washington, D.C. and renowned for more than four decades for dedication to the protection, transfer, and enforcement of intellectual property rights, Sterne Kessler is one of the most highly regarded intellectual property specialty law firms in the world. Its team of attorneys, registered patent agents, students, and technical specialists include some of the country’s most respected practitioners of IP law tackling innovations across a broad spectrum of industries. The firm’s practitioners hold over 50 masters and over 50 doctorate degrees in science or

engineering and represent Fortune 500 companies, entrepreneurs, start-ups, inventors, venture capital firms, and universities in a client service driven environment that is welcoming, inclusive, and intellectually stimulating. Visit the firm online at sternekessler.com.

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