

Sterne Kessler Ranks Among Top IP Firms in Washington, D.C. by Chambers USA for 16th Consecutive Year

Washington, D.C. (May 1, 2018) – Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox is pleased to announce that *Chambers & Partners USA* has again listed the firm with a "Band 1" ranking among Washington, D.C.'s leading law firms in the area of intellectual property. This recognition marks the 16th consecutive year that the definitive professional guide has rated the firm among the best-of-the-best firms in the United States.

The *Chambers* guide describes the firm as "highly valued for its ability to prepare and prosecute utility, design and covered business method patents for companies active in a variety of industry sectors, including computer software, engineering and life sciences." Also included in the firm's profile are comments from Sterne Kessler's clients who state the firm is, "The go-to experts on post-grant review proceedings, such as IPRs and CBMs."

In addition to the firm's "Band 1" ranking in the category "Intellectual Property: Patent Prosecution – District of Columbia," the newly released edition of *Chambers* recognizes Sterne Kessler directors <u>Jorge A. Goldstein, Ph.D.</u> (Senior Statesman), <u>Robert Greene Sterne</u> (Band 1), and <u>Tracy-Gene G. Durkin</u> (Recognized Practitioner). Specifically, Dr. Goldstein is recognized as "well-respected," and "brings a wealth of experience to patent prosecution matters and is noted for his cross-border expertise." Dr. Goldstein is also ranked at the "Senior Statesmen" level in the "Life Sciences: IP/Patent Litigation – Nationwide" category. Mr. Sterne is recognized for being "extraordinarily knowledgeable and responsive. He is an aggressive advocate and he understands the full scope and nuances of very difficult subject matter."

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