

Sterne Kessler Earns Midsize Mansfield Certification

Washington, D.C. (May 23, 2023) – Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox is pleased to announce the firm has received Midsize Mansfield Certification. The firm is among more than 70 midsize law firms recognized for their commitment to diversity.

For 18 months, the firm's leadership worked collaboratively with Diversity Lab to meet and document the Mansfield Certification requirements. "All of these certified firms stepped up as trailblazers to create more diverse and inclusive leaderships in the midsize firm sector," said Alyssa Jarvis, Senior Manager of Mansfield at Diversity Lab.

"At Sterne Kessler, one of our main objectives is to cultivate and manage an inclusive workplace that embraces and celebrates diversity and inclusion. It's the secret sauce that makes our firm great. Receiving the Midsized Mansfield Certification is a proud moment for all of us at Sterne Kessler, because it confirms our dedication to inclusivity. We will remain committed to our diversity and inclusion initiatives in order to drive the advancement of diversity, equity, and inclusion in all areas of our firm and the legal profession," said Director Gaby L. Longsworth, Ph.D., chair of the firm's Diversity & Inclusion Committee.

An extension of the original Mansfield Rule that was geared toward large firms, the Midsize Certification enables law firms with fewer than 150 attorneys to measure whether their firm has "considered at least 30% women lawyers, underrepresented racial and ethnic lawyers, LGBTQ+ lawyers, and lawyers with disabilities for leadership and governance roles, equity partner promotions, formal client pitches, lateral lawyer hiring, and more."

To see the full list of Midsize Mansfield Certification firms and read Diversity Lab's press release, please <u>click here</u>.

About Diversity Lab

Diversity Lab is an incubator for innovative ideas and solutions that boost diversity and inclusion in law. Experimental ideas are created through our Hackathons and piloted in collaboration with more than 350 top law firms and legal departments across the country. Diversity Lab leverages data, behavioral science, design thinking, and technology to further develop and test new ideas and research, measure the results, and share the lessons learned. For more details, visit www.diversitylab.com

About Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox

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, Goldstein & Fox 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 60 doctorate degrees in science or engineering and represent Fortune 500 companies, entrepreneurs, startups, 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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