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### **30 Winstead Attorneys, Seven Practices Ranked in Chambers and Partners USA 2017 Survey**

DALLAS, June 12, 2017, — Winstead's reputation for delivering high level, client-focused legal services has again been recognized by Chambers and Partners. This year's *Chambers USA Guide 2017* publication ranked seven of Winstead's practice areas in bands 1-4 in Texas with real estate and construction ranked in band 1. Other practice areas listed by Chambers in this year's survey were banking and finance, energy, environment and insurance in Texas; and real estate: finance in North Carolina.

*Chambers USA* is published by Chambers and Partners, a premier guide to the legal profession. Each year, Chambers conducts in-depth research and interviews with clients and attorneys throughout the United States to identify the top lawyers in various practice areas. Law firms and individual lawyers are ranked in bands from 1-6, with 1 being the best. Inclusion in *Chambers USA* is based completely on the research and peer interviews conducted and cannot be initiated by a firm or attorney.

Commentators in the 2017 survey praised Winstead several specific practices.

- Construction – *“Top-drawer construction practice that advises clients from a range of sectors, including transportation, retail and healthcare.”*
- Banking & Finance – *“Winstead is outside of the paint-by-numbers approach. They're able to adapt.”*
- Real Estate – *“Well versed on matters before engagement.”*
- Insurance – *“The firm is exceptionally proficient, offers expert knowledge and provides good results.”*

“To receive high praise from clients and peers is very gratifying,” said Winstead CEO David Dawson. “More importantly, it reinforces our commitment to deliver the highest caliber client service, and motivates us to raise that bar even higher. Earning the trust of our clients and respect of our peers is a meaningful recognition.”

The Winstead attorneys and their practice areas listed in the *Chambers USA Guide 2017* publication are:

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Mike Hilliard	Banking & Finance
Richard Leucht	Banking & Finance
Jim Littlejohn	Banking & Finance
Melissa Ruman Stewart	Banking & Finance
Daniel Susie	Banking & Finance
Phil Lamberson	Bankruptcy/Restructuring
Robert Bass	Construction (star individual)
Mark Guthrie	Construction
Michelle Rieger	Construction
Stewart Whitehead	Construction
Ron Moss	Energy: state regulatory & litigation (electricity)
Albert Axe	Environment
Keith Courtney	Environment
Derek Seal	Environment
Cheryl Camin Murray	Healthcare
Alex Gonzales	Insurance: regulation
Jay Brown	Insurance
Peter Nolan	Insurance
Cathryn Berryman	Intellectual property; trademark & copyright
Mike Alessio	Real Estate
Andy Dow	Real Estate
Greg Erwin	Real Estate
Kevin Sullivan	Real Estate
John Nolan	Real Estate
Ed Peterson	Real Estate
Kirk Williams	Real Estate: zoning/land use
Jeff Lee	Real Estate: finance (North Carolina)
Denis Braham	Sports law (nationwide)
Brent Clifton	Tax
Tom Helfand	Tax

*Chambers USA Guide* conducts more than 14,000 interviews across the country in which clients and participating attorneys are asked to rank law firms and individual attorneys in specific specialty areas. The qualities on which rankings are assessed include technical legal ability, professional conduct, client service, commercial awareness/astuteness, diligence, commitment and other qualities most valued by clients. Chambers selects their sources based on submissions put forward by legal practices, interviews during the course of research, as well as from their own database resources.

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