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Glaser Weil Recognized in Benchmark Litigation 2016

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Related Attorney(s): Jill Basinger, Patricia L. Glaser, Sean Riley, Robert Shapiro

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(LOS ANGELES—Oct. 29, 2015) Glaser Weil and four of its partners have received high recognition from *Benchmark Litigation 2016*, an annual guide that provides analysis of commercial and financial litigators and law firms in the United States based on interviews with the nation's leading private practice lawyers and in-house counsel.

For the third consecutive year, *Benchmark* researchers graded Glaser Weil as “highly recommended,” only one of only 24 law firms in the entire state of California to garner this top rank. Partner and Litigation Department Chair Patricia Glaser was once again named to *Benchmark*'s list of the Top 250 Women Litigators in California and designated as a “litigation star” by *Benchmark* for the fourth straight year. In addition, Partner Robert Shapiro was named a “litigation star” for the third year in a row while Partner Jill Basinger was listed as a “future star” for the third consecutive year. Partner Sean Riley was named a “litigation star” by *Benchmark* for the first time this year.

Benchmark described Glaser Weil's peers as viewing the firm as a “small big firm” with a substantial number of celebrity clients. *Benchmark* noted that Ms. Glaser “receives nods from numerous peers for her active practice representing high-profile personalities in very contentious matters.” *Benchmark* discussed Ms. Glaser's successful representation of Frank Gehry of Gehry Partners and Gehry Technologies in a case against his former CEO, along with Ms. Glaser's ongoing representation of Sweetpea Entertainment and Sweetpea B.V.I. in conjunction with Ms. Basinger.

Benchmark mentioned the number of high profile clients Mr. Shapiro has represented, including Rockstar Energy Drink, Diamond Resorts International, Steve Wynn and Wynn Resorts Ltd., Cadeau Express and many celebrities. One client hailed Mr. Shapiro as “a very seasoned litigator” with civil and criminal law expertise that make him a very valuable team member.

Benchmark stated that Mr. Riley receives praise from clients, with one describing him as “very smart, thoughtful, properly aggressive when needed, diligent, and well-rounded.”

About Benchmark Litigation

Benchmark Litigation is the definitive guide to America's leading litigation firms and attorneys and the only publication to focus exclusively on US litigation. The guide's results are the culmination of a six-month research period that allows researchers to conduct extensive interviews with litigators and their clients. During these interviews, recent casework handled by the firm is examined and sources are asked to offer their professional opinions on peers.

About Glaser Weil

Glaser Weil Fink Howard Avchen & Shapiro LLP is a full service law firm in Los Angeles, California. Formed in 1988, the Firm's clientele includes a diverse mix of international, national and local corporations and private entrepreneurs throughout the nation.