

Eleven Attorneys Elected to Partnership at Stinson in 2023

Press Release

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Stinson LLP has elected 11 attorneys to the firm's partnership, effective January 1, 2023. The newly elected partners span across four of the firm's 12 office locations and represent seven of the firm's practice divisions.

"We are proud to announce the election of this outstanding class of new partners" Stinson Managing Partner [Allison Murdock](#) said. "We look forward to our new partners helping drive the success of our firm for many years to come, further ensuring Stinson is a client-focused and community-engaged firm."

The new partners, ordered by office location, include:

KANSAS CITY

[Rachel Price](#) advocates for clients in a variety of real estate transactions, helping them to leverage the strongest position possible without losing sight of the big picture. She represents landlords and tenants, developers, lenders and real estate investment trusts in a variety of industries, including agriculture, financing and environmental. In addition to her work at the firm, Price is a member of Synergy Services' Board of Directors and a BOTAR executive committee member. She is also a volunteer for the Junior League of Kansas City and The American Royal. Price earned her J.D. from the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law.

[Chris Sevedge](#) is a commercial litigator and strategic advisor on matters pertaining to business insurance. Sevedge represents policyholder clients in connection with insurance coverage litigation and pre-lawsuit counseling for first-party and liability losses and exposures across all forms of commercial insurance products. He also counsels companies on insurance coverage and risk management matters surrounding insolvency, bankruptcy, receivership, mergers and acquisitions. Sevedge also regularly represents plaintiffs

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and defendants in complex commercial litigation matters concerning contract disputes, real estate disputes and business tort claims. He is a member of the American Bar Association, the Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association, and the Nelson-Atkins Museum's Friends of Art. Sevedge earned his J.D. from the University of Virginia.

Chelsea Templeton strategically delivers efficient and effective creative legal solutions for her corporate finance and private equity clients. She focuses her practice on corporate governance and general business law, venture capital investments and mergers and acquisitions. Templeton's experience spans several industries, including financial services and consumer products, waste management, animal health, energy and technology. In addition, Templeton is a Kansas City Young Audiences board member. Templeton earned her J.D., *cum laude*, from the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law.

MINNEAPOLIS

Melinda Dugas counsels individuals and businesses, including developers, investors, builders and tenants, in protecting their rights and maximizing outcomes in a variety of commercial real estate transactions. She serves as a strategic, trusted advisor to her clients, providing practical and effective legal solutions tailored to their national and regional real estate needs. Dugas is also is a Minnesota State Bar Association Board-Certified Real Property Law Specialist. In addition to her work at the firm, Dugas is a Minnesota Commercial Real Estate Women member and is a pro bono attorney and volunteer with the Children's Law Center of Minnesota. Dugas earned her J.D., *magna cum laude*, from the University of Minnesota School of Law.

Nick Lyden works tirelessly to help real estate and corporate clients meet their goals, using his experience as a business owner to lend a unique perspective and understanding of business operations. Lyden assists his clients in developing strategies and negotiating complex agreements pertaining to a variety of real estate and corporate matters. Lyden has extensive commercial leasing experience and works to achieve favorable provisions for his clients while maintaining a positive working relationship with opposing parties. In addition to his work at the firm, Lyden serves on various advisory committees for youth wrestling and is a high school wrestling coach. Lyden earned his J.D. from the University of Minnesota School of Law.

Greta Bauer Reyes is an experienced litigator with a focus on client service that ensures she takes a collaborative and forward-thinking approach to promote productive and positive work environments. Many times she employs her fluency in Spanish to create deeper understanding of the situation. Reyes regularly guides employers in drafting and implementing workplace policies, creating and conducting workplace trainings, and navigating tough human resources decisions, including conducting internal investigations. She builds off her experience serving highly regulated industries, giving her a unique perspective when representing clients in OSHA investigations and related litigation, and defending clients in whistleblower and retaliation complaints. In addition to her work at the firm, Reyes is chair of

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Hospitality Minnesota's Allied Member Network. She is heavily involved in pro bono work dedicating time to assisting asylum seekers from Latin America and regularly takes cases through the Advocates for Human Rights. Reyes earned her J.D., *cum laude*, from the Mitchell Hamline School of Law.

PHOENIX

Michael Vincent is a litigator focusing on complex commercial and construction litigation. Vincent represents financial institutions, contractors, and others in diverse litigation matters. His breadth of experience provides him with an in-depth understanding of multiple areas of the law and his background as a judicial law clerk gives him insight into judicial decision-making. Vincent is a member of the Maricopa County Bar Association and the Sandra Day O'Connor Inn of Court. He regularly provides pro bono legal services through the Volunteer Lawyers Program with Community Legal Services and also volunteers with the Arizona Council on Economic Education. Vincent earned his J.D., *magna cum laude*, from the Arizona State University Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law.

ST. LOUIS

Rob Harry utilizes his real estate and financial services multidisciplinary background to find practical and business-oriented solutions for his clients. Harry offers significant experience in commercial real estate transactions, commercial real estate finance, renewable energy project finance, commercial leasing and secured lending. In addition to his real estate practice, Harry is committed to pro bono work. He has represented clients in a variety of matters including structuring and implementing funds to inject capital into underserved St. Louis, Missouri, neighborhoods, developing a loan program to restore homes, researching and defending against human rights issues and providing general counsel to nonprofit organizations. Harry earned his J.D. from the University of Missouri School of Law.

Jenna Hueneger advises her clients through a diverse array of complex business transactions. Hueneger regularly represents and counsels financial institutions and borrowers on all types of financings, including asset-based, working capital, construction and real estate loans, and has extensive experience representing clients in sophisticated finance, commercial and M&A transactions. Although her practice spans across multiple industries, Hueneger has gained significant experience advising clients in the agribusiness industry. In addition to her work at the firm, Hueneger is a member of the CASA of St. Louis Young Professionals Board and is a Legal Services of Eastern Missouri volunteer attorney. Hueneger earned her J.D., *summa cum laude*, from the St. Louis University School of Law.

Morgan Johnson works directly with his clients on how best to protect and commercialize their intellectual property rights and avoid infringing the rights of others. He focuses his practice on patent preparation and prosecution, leveraging his chemical engineering background to secure patent protection for clients in the chemical, pharmaceutical and life sciences industries. His experience protecting intellectual property rights enables him to provide valuable insights during M&A due diligence with respect to intellectual

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property ownership and agreements. In addition to his practice, Johnson is chair-elect of the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis' Patent, Trademark & Copyright Section. Johnson earned his J.D., *magna cum laude*, from the Northern Illinois University College of Law.

John Schroeder leverages his background in chemical engineering to seek custom solutions for his clients' high-stakes technology and intellectual property disputes. As a skilled patent, trademark and trade secrets litigator, he is especially proficient in litigating the validity of patents in *inter parte* review and post grant review proceedings before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Though Schroeder's practice focuses on litigating intellectual property disputes, he also assists clients in matters involving patent counseling, patentability and non-infringement opinions, due diligence and licensing. Schroeder earned his J.D., *cum laude*, from the St. Louis University School of Law.

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