

Chambers USA Recognizes Six Davis+Gilbert Practice Areas in 2017 Rankings

Davis+Gilbert again secured strong results in the 2017 edition of *Chambers USA*, gaining recognition in six practice group rankings, up from five in 2016, in addition to 13 individual lawyer rankings and a “star individual” honor. The firm garnered practice group recognition in the following areas: Advertising, Intellectual Property, Labor & Employment, Media & Entertainment, Real Estate and Retail, as well as individual attorney recognition in the Privacy & Data Security category.

Advertising + Marketing

For the 12th consecutive year, the firm was awarded a Band 1 ranking in the nationwide category of Advertising: Transactional & Regulatory, with *Chambers* highlighting the firm’s “market-leading” practice and a “strong record of acting for clients before self-regulatory bodies and federal enforcement agencies,” along with clients praising its attorneys as “great partners with a good understanding of commercial issues.” Furthermore, clients described the group’s advice as “cost-effective but top-notch advice,” and its attorneys as “very practical and business-friendly.”

In addition to the firm recognition, three partners were ranked individually:

Ronald R. Urbach (Star Individual)

Joseph J. Lewczak (Band 2)

Howard R. Weingrad (Band 3)

Additionally, Privacy + Data Security partner Gary A. Kibel was again identified as a “noted practitioner” in the nationwide Privacy & Data Security category.

Entertainment and Sports

For the first time, Davis+Gilbert was recognized as a “noted firm” in the New York category for Media & Entertainment: Film, Music, Television & Theater.

In addition to the firm recognition, one partner was ranked individually:

James L. Johnston (Band 3)

Intellectual Property + Media

Davis+Gilbert was ranked in Band 3 for the third consecutive year in Intellectual Property: Trade Mark & Copyright for New York. The group, known for their “full range of trademark, copyright and false advertising matters” and highly esteemed by clients, provides “stellar” client service and “they use their extensive industry knowledge to advise and protect.”

In addition to the firm recognition, two partners were ranked individually:

Jeffrey C. Katz (Band 3)

Marc J. Rachman (Band 3)

Labor + Employment

Davis+Gilbert was ranked in the Labor & Employment category in New York for the fifth year in a row, garnering a Band 4 ranking. *Chambers* noted the firm has “a solid labor and employment team, noted for its work in the full range of contentious and non-contentious matters.” The group was described as “highly client service-oriented” and that the attorneys “understand the issues and also how they translate into our business.”

Three Labor + Employment partners were also ranked:

Gregg A. Gilman (Band 4)

Howard J. Rubin (Band 4)

Daniel A. Feinstein (Recognized Practitioner)

Real Estate

Davis+Gilbert's Real Estate practice group was ranked for the 11th consecutive year, earning a Band 4 ranking in the New York category of Real Estate: Mainly Dirt. The publication commended the group's “extensive experience” in negotiating and renegotiating leases for retail and office space. Clients noted the group has “deftly handled some of the most complicated leasing and principal transactions.”

In addition to the firm recognition, partner Gerald R. Uram was also ranked (Band 3).

Retail

The firm was honored for the fourth year in a row in the Nationwide Retail category (Band 3). *Chambers* took note of the firm's focus on real estate and advertising, as well as value for the money, with clients echoing the sentiment, saying “everyone is just excellent, they're very reasonably priced.” The group's attorneys also received high-praise, with one client endorsement stating they are “highly competent, available and a strong, calming presence in what is often stressful work” and another deeming the group as “our go-to firm for marketing, advertising and retail sale issues.”

Two partners, Robert A. Karin, a Real Estate partner, and Joseph J. Lewczak, an Advertising + Marketing partner, were again identified as “Recognized Practitioners” in this category.

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