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## **CONNER & WINTERS IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT 26 OF ITS ATTORNEYS ARE SELECTED FOR INCLUSION ON THE 2009 LAW AND POLITICS SUPER LAWYERS AND RISING STARS LISTS**

**TULSA – (December 15, 2009)** Conner & Winters is pleased to announce that 21 of its attorneys were selected for inclusion on the 2009 *Super Lawyers* list, and another 5 attorneys were featured on the 2009 *Rising Star* list by *Law and Politics* magazine. Lawyers are selected for inclusion on the lists based on a statewide nomination process, a review of resumes, peer evaluations by practice areas and independent research on nominated candidates. Each candidate is evaluated on 12 indicators of peer recognition and professional achievement. Selections are made on an annual, state-by-state basis.

The selection process for *Rising Stars* is the same as the *Super Lawyers* selection process with the following exceptions: a candidate must be either 40 years old or younger or in practice for ten years or less; candidates for *Rising Stars* do not go through peer evaluation by practice area process. Additionally, up to five percent of the lawyers in the state are named to *Super Lawyers*, but no more than 2.5 percent are named to the *Rising Stars* list.

The Conner & Winters' attorneys included on the lists represent a number of locations and a variety of practice areas. In addition to being listed in the publication, the selected lawyers can be found online at [www.superlawyers.com](http://www.superlawyers.com).

The 21 Conner & Winters attorneys selected for inclusion on the 2009 *Super Lawyers* list by *Law and Politics* magazine are:

Gary Betow	Banking	Tulsa, OK
Paul E. Braden	Employee Benefits/ERISA	Tulsa, OK
David R. Cordell	Employment Litigation	Tulsa, OK
Robert A. Curry	Mergers and Acquisitions	Tulsa, OK
Jared D. Giddens	Business Litigation	Oklahoma City, OK
James E. Green, Jr.	Personal Injury Defense	Tulsa, OK
Lauren J. Harrison	Antitrust and Litigation	Houston, TX Northwest
Robert L. Jones, III	Civil Litigation Defense	Arkansas
Steven W. McGrath	Employee Benefits/ERISA	Tulsa, OK
Teresa Meinders		
Burkett	Health Care	Tulsa, OK
Robert J. Melgaard	Securities and Corporate	Tulsa, OK
Lynnwood R. Moore, Jr.	Securities and Corporate	Tulsa, OK
C. Raymond Patton, Jr.	Securities Litigation	Tulsa, OK

J. Ronald Petrikin	Employment and Labor	Tulsa, OK
Kiran A. Phansalkar	Banking	Oklahoma City, OK
Douglas M. Selwyn	Employee Benefits/ERISA	Houston, TX
Gentra Abbey Sorem	Bankruptcy and Creditor/Debtor	Tulsa, OK
Robert J. Stokes	Employee Benefits/ERISA	Dallas, TX
Andrew R. Turner	Bankruptcy and Creditor/Debtor	Oklahoma City, OK
Henry G. Will	Estate Planning and Probate	Tulsa, OK
Martin R. Wing	Employee Benefits/ERISA	Tulsa, OK

The 5 Conner & Winters attorneys selected for inclusion on the 2009 *Rising Stars* list by *Law and Politics* magazine are:

Jason B. Coutant	Mergers and Acquisitions	Tulsa, OK
J. Dillon Curran	Bankruptcy and Creditor/Debtor	Oklahoma City, OK
Alissa A. Hurley	Employee Benefits/ERISA	Tulsa, OK
Melinda L. Kirk	Employment and Labor	Tulsa, OK
Jason S. Taylor	Employment Litigation	Tulsa, OK

**About Conner & Winters, LLP.** Founded in 1933, Conner & Winters, LLP has become one of the largest and most diverse law firms in the South Central Region of the United States. The Firm serves a broad range of clients in local, state, regional, national, and international arenas. Its clients include businesses of all sizes and types-locally-owned companies to multi-national corporations, individuals, estates and trusts, municipalities and other public-sector organizations, institutions, and charitable foundations. Conner & Winters, LLP is a full-service firm with 100 attorneys successfully representing numerous areas of practice. For more information, go to [www.cwlaw.com](http://www.cwlaw.com).

Conner & Winters is proud to have 27 of its outstanding lawyers listed in the 2009 Super Lawyers® publications.



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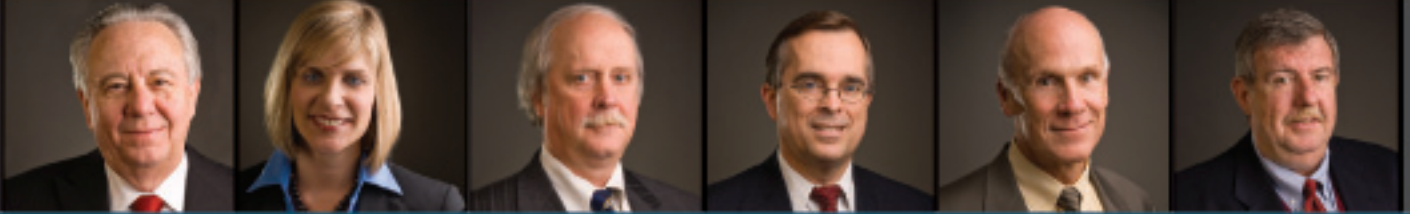
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\*Listed as a Rising Star in the 2009 Super Lawyers® publications.