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SERVICES

Groom Law Group is proud to announce that Chambers USA, once again, ranked us as a 1st tier firm for Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation both nationally and in the District of Columbia. The firm was ranked nationally as a top firm for

ERISA Litigation and listed as a noted firm for Healthcare in the District of Columbia.



LEADING FIRM

Editorial Commentary

Boutique employee benefits firm with one of the largest groups specializing in ERISA advice. Celebrated for its breadth, advising on the full panoply of employee benefits and compensation issues including health and welfare, ERISA Title I fiduciary responsibility matters, multiemployer plans and executive compensation arrangements.

Boutique firm with a group of talented litigators handling all manner of contentious employee benefits and executive compensation matters. Provides assistance with the full range of litigation under ERISA including church plan and stock drop cases, alleged breaches of fiduciary duty and ESOP disputes.

Client Comments

“Groom Law is one of the best firms in the country for benefits work.”

“They are leading practitioners in ERISA compliance issues and employee benefits.”

“A preeminent specialist firm. They are wonderful and unique in terms of the uniform quality of their individuals.”

“The team is a valuable resource on ERISA, fiduciary, and employee benefits law. They know our business and can get right to the legal issues without the need for extensive research.”

Notable Practitioners

The “*excellent*” Gary Ford is widely considered a prominent practitioner in the field. Ford has developed particular expertise in handling employee benefits issues arising from bankruptcies. He acts on behalf of both debtors and creditors and has recently assisted large Fortune 500 companies with de-risking their pension plans.

Louis Mazawey is one of the most prominent employee benefits attorneys in the USA, with longstanding experience assisting with the tax features of employee benefits plans. He also advises on a range of other employee benefits and compensation matters such as IRAs, 403(b) and 457 plans and mergers. According to market sources, he has “*the right balance in having substantive expertise and personality.*”

David Levine is well respected for his comprehensive employee benefits and executive compensation practice, offering expertise in areas such as executive plans associated with M&A, and qualified and non-qualified retirement plans. Recently, he has assisted churches on contentious and noncontentious matters surrounding the ‘church plan’ status of their benefits schemes.

Andrée St Martin is described as a “*fabulous*” attorney by market commentators. She is particularly celebrated for her expertise in handling ERISA Title I related issues, and has recently provided advice to clients in connection with the DOL’s revised definition of fiduciary investment advice.

Jennifer Eller specializes in providing retirement plan advice to financial institutions in connection with their services and products, as well as providing ERISA fiduciary compliance assistance to public and corporate sponsors.

Firm chair Stephen Saxon is recognized for his handling of a wide array of ERISA matters and issues relating to tax-exempt organizations. He is particularly known for his expertise in ERISA Title I matters.

Christine Keller is widely considered to be a rising star of the employee benefits and executive compensation legal market. She demonstrates prowess in advising insurers, employers and plan administrators in connection with the full spectrum of health and welfare benefit matters.

The “*very practical*” John McGuinness is praised by interviewees for his ability to “*understand very complicated pension schemes that a lot of lawyers cannot.*” His practice focuses on advising public and private companies in connection with executive compensation arrangements, tax and ERISA matters.

Daniel Hogans is well regarded in the employee benefit and executive compensation world for his expertise in handling matters such as ERISA-related issues, qualified retirement plans and deferred compensation plans. His clients think highly of his ability to “*provide sound direction and associate risk assessments where there is little formal guidance.*”

Lars Golumbic is highly regarded for his expertise in a broad range of litigation brought under ERISA, often defending plan sponsors and service providers against government investigations. He is also widely familiar with ESOP-related disputes where he has been particularly active in advising financial institutions and fiduciaries of late.

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Michael Prame is noted for his solid expertise in employee benefits and ERISA litigation, often handling complex class action matters for service providers such as financial institutions, fiduciaries of benefit plans and investment managers.