

## **Gray Plant Mooty's Jeffrey Karlin Wins 2013 Lexology Client Choice Award**

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MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. (February 28, 2013) — Gray Plant Mooty is proud to announce that franchise attorney Jeffrey Karlin has been named the exclusive winner of the 2013 Client Choice Award in the franchising category for the District of Columbia by The International Law Office and Lexology and is the overall winner in the U.S. Franchise category.

Established in 2005, the Client Choice awards recognizes those law firms and partners around the world that stand apart for the excellent client care they provide and the quality of their service. The criteria for the awards focus on an ability to add real value to clients' business above and beyond the other players in the market.

In the survey, Karlin was described as "the consummate professional and supremely knowledgeable about all matters related to franchise law and litigation." He is a principal at Gray Plant Mooty and member of the Franchise & Distribution and Business & General Litigation practice groups. Prior to entering private practice, he served for nine years as a trial attorney for the Torts Branch, Civil Division, U.S. Department of Justice, where he defended actions brought against the federal government under the Federal Tort Claims Act and Privacy Act.

This year, 222 individual winners across 33 U.S. states and four Canadian provinces were recognized. These awards survey senior corporate counsel only, with this year's winners chosen from a pool of more than 2,000 individual client assessments. The awards recognize both individual partners and firms that excel across the full spectrum of client service.

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