



# Lathrop GPM Recognized as 2023 Top Performer and Compass Award Winner by Leadership Council for Legal Diversity

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**KANSAS CITY (November 02, 2023)** — Lathrop GPM is proud to announce that the firm has been named a Top Performer and Compass Award winner by the Leadership Council on Legal Diversity (LCLD) for a 2<sup>nd</sup> consecutive year. These awards recognize law firms and corporations showing a strong commitment to building more diverse organizations and a more inclusive legal profession.

The Top Performer award recognizes those organizations in the top 20 percent for participation in LCLD programs and activities.

The Compass Award recognizes those individuals and organizations that fulfill all the following requirements in a single calendar year:

- Member (Managing Partner/General Counsel) engagement with LCLD
- Nominate an LCLD Fellow
- Nominate an LCLD Pathfinder
- Participate in an LCLD Pipeline program (the 1L Scholars Program or the Success in Law School Mentoring Program)

Lathrop GPM Director of Diversity & Inclusion, Vanessa Vaughn West said, "We are honored to receive this recognition in diversity, equity and inclusion. This is an unwavering priority and is supported at every level of our law firm. Lathrop GPM has been, and will continue to be, committed to ensuring that diverse professionals are provided leadership opportunities within the firm."

LCLD is comprised of more than 450 corporate chief legal officers and law firm managing partners—the leaders of the profession—who are committed to ensuring that all talent thrives, with the ultimate goal of building a more equitable and diverse legal profession.