U.S. News' "Best Law Firms" Recognizes Lathrop Gage Practice Areas

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. (November 1, 2012) – *U.S. News & World Report* and Best Lawyers announced the 2012-2013 Best Law Firms rankings today with Lathrop Gage LLP receiving 20 national rankings and 68 rankings for practice areas within their respected metropolitan areas.

The firm received top rankings in the following practice areas and regions:

National Rankings

Tier 1

- **Trademark Law**

Tier 2

- Copyright Law
- Land Use and Zoning Law
- Mass Tort Litigation/Class Actions – Defendants
- Media and First Amendment Law
- Professional Malpractice Law – Defendants
- Railroad Law
- Technology Law

Tier 3

- Appellate Practice
- Banking and Finance Law
- Construction Law
- Corporate Law
- Health Care Law
- Litigation – Banking and Finance
- Litigation – Construction
- Litigation – Environmental
- Litigation – Intellectual Property

- Litigation – Labor and Employment
- Tax Law
- Trusts and Estates Law

Metropolitan Rankings

Tier 1

Boston
- Copyright Law
- Trademark Law

Colorado
- Trademark Law

Kansas City, Kan.
- Corporate Law
- Health Care Law
- Land Use and Zoning Law
- Litigation – Intellectual Property
- Litigation – Real Estate
- Litigation – Trusts and Estates
- Real Estate Law
- Tax Law
- Trademark Law
- Trusts and Estates Law

Kansas City, Mo.

- Appellate Practice
- Banking and Financing Law
- Commercial Litigation
- Construction Law
- Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law
- Employment Law – Management
- Health Care Law
- Insurance Law
- Labor Law – Management
- Litigation – Banking and Finance

- Litigation – Construction
- Litigation – Eminent Domain and Condemnation
- Litigation – Environmental
- Litigation – Intellectual Property
- Litigation – Labor and Employment
- Mass Tort Litigation/ Class Actions – Defendants
- Media and First Amendment Law
- Real Estate Law
- Tax Law
- Technology Law
- Trusts and Estates Law

Springfield, Mo.

- Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/ Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- Litigation – Eminent Domain and Condemnation
- Product Liability Litigation – Defendants
- Real Estate Law

St. Louis

- Land Use and Zoning Law

Tier 2

Columbia, Mo.

- Environmental Law

Kansas City, Kan.

- Commercial Litigation
- Education Law
- Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law
- Litigation – Construction
- Litigation – Land Use and Zoning
- Non-Profit/Charities Law

Kansas City, Mo.

- Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- Corporate Compliance Law

- Corporate Law
- Criminal Defense: White-Collar – Governmental Investigations
- Criminal Defense: White-Collar – Litigation
- Environmental Law
- Financial Services Regulation Law
- Gaming Law
- Government Relations Practice
- Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- Non-Profit/Charities Law
- Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants
- Professional Malpractice Law – Defendants
- Railroad Law

Springfield, Mo.

- Banking and Finance Law
- Commercial Litigation
- Family Law
- Land Use and Zoning Law
- Mass Tort Litigation/Class Actions – Defendants
- Mediation
- Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants

St. Louis

- Construction Law
- Corporate Law
- Health Care Law
- Tax Law
- Trusts and Estates Law

Tier 3

Boston

- Biotechnology Law
- Patent Law

Colorado

- Real Estate Law

Kansas City, Mo.

- Land Use and Zoning Law
- Litigation – Bankruptcy
- Securities/Capital Markets Law

About Lathrop Gage LLP:

A full-service law firm, Lathrop Gage LLP has more than 315 attorneys in 11 offices nationwide – from Los Angeles to New York. In 2012, Chambers USA ranked Lathrop Gage's corporate, environmental, intellectual property, labor and employment, litigation, real estate and transportation teams among the best in their regions. For more information, visit www.lathropgage.com.