

Jessica Merrigan Honored as Rising Star by KC Business Magazine

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. (Feb. 12, 2015) - Lathrop Gage Partner Jessica Merrigan was recently selected by *KC Business Magazine* as a 2015 Rising Star for her "combined strength as an attorney and business developer who possesses a tremendous ability in client relations and practice management."

The Rising Star award recognizes outstanding professionals in Kansas City who are under the age of 40 and demonstrate tremendous work ethic and leadership skills in their businesses and communities. The honorees not only contribute time and energy to their work environments, but devote a great deal of effort to their chosen philanthropic organizations and charities.

At Lathrop Gage, Merrigan is the co-leader of the firm's environmental practice area and frequently represents clients in administrative negotiations with both the Environmental Protection Agency and state agencies. She also assists clients with federal environmental laws and regulations, including permitting and compliance requirements for various environmental agencies throughout the nation.

"The legal industry has high standards for its leaders," *KC Business Magazine* reported. "Lathrop & Gage in particular doesn't promote attorneys who haven't demonstrated their leadership, innovative thinking and great business acumen. Merrigan certainly fits these attributes."

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