

# **Hinshaw Announces Election of Eleven** New Partners In Seven U.S. Offices

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U.S. law firm Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP is pleased to announce the election of eleven attorneys as new partners, effective January 1, 2023. The new partners are based in seven Hinshaw offices across the country and represent a wide range of practice areas.

In announcing the new partners, Chairman, Peter Sullivan, stated, "These lawyers all encapsulate the adaptability, character, work ethic, and excellence that we look for when recruiting our next generation of firm partners. The class also reflects our ongoing commitment to diversity, with fifty-five percent of our 2023 partnerelects diverse and/or women."

The new Hinshaw partners are:

### Belleville

Blair P. Keltner (Health Care)

Blair Keltner defends physicians, mid-level providers, physician groups, hospitals, and nursing homes throughout all stages of medical malpractice litigation. She has experience defending medical malpractice suits involving surgery, labor and delivery, podiatry, emergency medicine, nursing care, and primary care, among others.

## Chicago

#### Joseph (Joe) Kern (Consumer Financial Services)

Joe defends financial institutions in state and federal court throughout the country in a wide range of matters involving consumer financial services litigation. He has advised clients on a variety of claims, including those involving the Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA), Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (FDCPA), Truth-in-Lending Act (TILA), Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act (RESPA), as well as other state and federal consumer protection laws.

#### Stephanie N. Mulcahy (Consumer Financial Services)

Stephanie represents mortgage lenders in financial services related litigation. Stephanie also has substantial experience in defending lenders from jurisdictional challenges and title-related claims at the trial court level, as well as the Second District Appellate Court. In addition, Stephanie has assisted large corporate clients with legislative initiatives concerning global issues.

### Ft. Lauderdale

#### Peter J. Lewis (Insurance Services)

Peter represents businesses and individuals across a variety of industries. He has extensive experience advising those in the aviation industry—including commercial and regional airlines, flight schools, and fixed-based operators and Part 135 charter operators. Additionally, he represents aviation insurers in coverage litigation as well as advises them on coverage issues and extra-contractual exposure. He has defended clients in complex commercial litigation, as well as issues concerning wrongful death, aircraft crashes, construction, and product and premises liability. A significant portion of Peter's work involves representing insurance carriers in coverage and extra-contractual litigation, as well as advising clients about these issues.

#### Matthew J. Walker (Personal Injury and Property Damage)

Matthew maintains a diverse litigation defense practice involving personal injury, wrongful death, property damage, product liability, consumer protection, class action, construction defect, and commercial disputes.

## Los Angeles

#### Jeffrey Edward Hall (Labor & Employment)

Jeffrey provides a full range of services to insurance companies and employers, including Professional Employer Organizations (PEO) and Fortune 500 companies, nationwide. Focusing on labor and employment law, he handles all aspects of work injury cases, including workplace litigation, 132a, and serious and willful misconduct claims. Jeffrey also litigates personal injury and subrogation matters.

# **Minneapolis**

#### Margarita (Rita) Gokhberg (Business Litigation)

Rita crafts practical solutions for businesses facing complex legal problems. Her practice primarily focuses on commercial and complex litigation, including defending plan fiduciaries in ERISA and non-ERISA life, health, and disability matters.

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#### Anju Suresh (Business Litigation)

Anju represents clients in a wide range of business transactions and disputes and employment law cases. She also assists with products and premises liability matters and has counseled clients on insurance coverage and breach of contract issues.

# **New York City**

#### Ashley R. Newman (Consumer Financial Services)

Ashley defends the interests of her clients in general commercial litigation and arbitration. Her litigation experience includes representing financial institutions in mortgage servicing and lender liability litigation as well as against complaints concerning the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (FDCPA), Truth in Lending Act (TILA) and Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act (RESPA), as well as representing corporate clients in multimillion-dollar breach of contract claims and business interruption litigation.

#### Fernando C. Rivera-Maissonet (Consumer Financial Services)

Fernando counsels financial institutions on various legal issues, including litigated foreclosure, declaratory judgment, quiet title and breach of contract actions, and complaints brought by the New York State Department of Financial Services. He regularly defends financial institutions in claims based on consumer protection statutes.

## Tampa

#### **Taylor Bowman (Insurance Services)**

Taylor focuses his practice in the area of insurance services. A former Assistant State Attorney, Taylor's clients benefit from his extensive trial experience.

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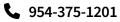
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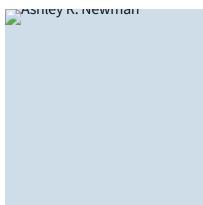




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