

HODGSON RUSS PRACTICE TEAMS LISTED IN 2017 CHAMBERS USA

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Hodgson Russ LLP is pleased to report that four of its practice groups and seven individual lawyers were recognized in the 2017 edition of *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business*, an annual guide ranking law firms and attorneys based on in-depth, independent research and interviews with clients, fellow attorneys, and corporate counsel. The firm's Litigation, Corporate/Mergers & Acquisitions, Real Estate, and Healthcare Practices were lauded for a variety of qualities, strengths and skills. In addition, Hodgson Russ partners Daniel Oliverio, Michael Maxwell, Robert Lane, Terrence Gilbride, Sujata Yalamanchili, Elizabeth Holden and Jane Bello Burke all received individual recognition. Of particular note, Messrs. Oliverio and Gilbride were each recognized with Chambers highest individual ratings of "band one", placing them at the very top of practitioners in their respective fields.

Hodgson Russ commercial litigation group was ranked among the top three law firms in Upstate New York. *Chambers* quoted clients of the firm on its strengths, mentioning its attorneys as "incredibly responsive and always available" and its "preparation, thoroughness and attention to detail." Firm Chairman Daniel Oliverio, who is also head of Hodgson Russ's False Claims Act and Whistleblower Practice Group, is lauded for his "fine reputation for tackling complex disputes" and is described by sources as a "very good, skilled lawyer." Partner Robert Lane, leader of the firm's Securities/Directors & Officers litigation practice, is noted for his "expertise in securities disputes and IP litigation" as well as his "fine track record in cases before federal and state courts," and Business Litigation Practice Area Leader Michael Maxwell was cited as a Recognized Practitioner.

Hodgson Russ was included in the eight firms throughout Upstate New York recognized for its Real Estate Practice Group, noted for its demonstrated expertise in matters involving real estate leasing and development, particularly in those related to structuring transactions and overseeing site investigations. When quoted on its strengths, *Chambers* listed a referee mentioning the firm as an "absolutely fantastic" team and "everything we've ever needed them to do they've been extremely creative on and successful." Partner Sujata Yalamanchili, leader of the Real Estate Practice Area, is noted by sources for her knowledge and good reputation. Partner Terrence Gilbride, leader of the Real Estate Development Practice Area, is quoted by one reviewer as being "as good as they come" and "one of the best in Upstate New York." Partner Elizabeth Holden is described as "a very capable lawyer" with a "confident

Attorneys

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feel for business transactions.”

In ranking Hodgson Russ among the top six Upstate New York law firms for Corporate Law and M&A, Chambers cites the practice team is “respected for its ability to handle a wide range of midmarket corporate matters and business transactions... with considerable experience in regulatory, compliance and securities work.” Sources say the firm delivers “nothing but great service” and lists Hodgson Russ partner, Kenneth Friedman, as a notable practitioner.

The firm’s Health Care Practice Group was among 17 firms across New York State that were recognized for its skill in handling healthcare reimbursement concerns, including Medicaid and Medicare audits and appeals. The firm’s varied client base includes hospitals and long-term care providers as well as creditors. Firm strengths include “high attention to detail” and “excellent understanding of the processes in place.” Clients praised notable attorney Jane Bello Burke, saying “she is always available to make time and her response time is very good.”

Hodgson Russ attorneys facilitate the U.S. legal aspects of transactions around the world. The firm practices in every major area of law and uses multidisciplinary work teams to serve the specific, often complex, needs of clients, which include public and privately held businesses, governmental entities, nonprofit institutions, and individuals. In addition to New York, Hodgson Russ has offices in Albany, Buffalo, and Saratoga Springs; Toronto, Ontario; and Palm Beach, Florida.