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Attorney Michael T. van der Veen Selected to 2017 Pennsylvania Super Lawyers List

Attorney Francis **O'Neill** Named to 2017 Pennsylvania Rising Star List

Philadelphia, PA. May 20, 2017: We are pleased to announce that Michael T. van der Veen has been selected to the 2017 Pennsylvania Super Lawyers list. Each year, no more than five percent of the lawyers in the state are selected by the research team at Super Lawyers to receive this honor. It is his 13th year to be so named to this prestigious list. Francis O'Neill, Jr. has been selected to the 2017 Rising Stars list for the third year in a row. Each year, no more than 2.5 percent of the lawyers in the state are selected by the research team at Super Lawyers to receive this honor.

Super Lawyers, a Thomson Reuters business, is a rating service of outstanding lawyers from more than 70 practice areas who have attained a high degree of peer recognition and professional achievement. The annual selections are made using a patented multiphase process that includes a statewide survey of lawyers, an independent research evaluation of candidates and peer reviews by practice area. The result is a credible, comprehensive and diverse listing of exceptional attorneys.

The founder of the Law Offices of Michael T. van der Veen, **Michael T. van der Veen** represents the rights of people in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and its surrounding towns and counties. He focuses his practice on plaintiff's personal injury, and criminal defense, and handles cases involving auto, motorcycle and truck accidents, construction accidents, slip and falls, medical errors, product liability, murder, sex offenses, white collar crimes, assault, drug offenses, DUI, and vehicular homicide. Active in the community, Mr. van der Veen has served as the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Philadelphia chapter of the American Diabetes Association. He was active on the local YMCA Board and served on the Board of Trustees of the Montgomery School. He has been elected to, and is currently serving, a one-year term on the Board of Directors of the Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association. He also serves as a Board member of the Washington Square West Civic Association. A 1985 graduate from Ohio Wesleyan University, Mr. van der Veen attended Quinnipiac University School of Law and received his Juris Doctor in 1988. He continued his study of the law, first at the National Criminal Defense College and second, at Temple University Beasley School of Law, where he earned a Master of Laws in Trial Advocacy in 1995 with highest honors.

Francis O’Neill, Jr. is a tenacious advocate for victims of personal injury. He has years of experience handling catastrophic injury and wrongful death cases involving construction and commercial motor vehicle accidents. He frequently speaks on the issue of attorney-driven investigation of serious accidents and is OSHA 10 certified. Fran is a 2004 graduate of The Catholic University of America, cum laude, and was awarded “Most Distinguished” student of Finance. He was the Captain of the rugby team and interned at the United States Department of Justice. He is a 2007 graduate of Temple University School of Law where he was on the dean’s list. Fran also earned his Masters of Business Administration (M.B.A.) from Temple University.

The Law Offices of Michael T. van der Veen is considered one of the premier personal injury and criminal defense law firms serving individuals and families across Pennsylvania and New Jersey. With decades of experience fighting for clients, and a history of outstanding litigation success, the firm is pleased to have earned a much-deserved reputation as one of Pennsylvania’s toughest, hardest-working law firms.

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