

Vedder Highlights

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Vedder Price Opens New Miami Office, Adds Veteran Greenberg Traurig Shareholder

Vedder Price announced the launch of a new office in Miami as part of its continued strategy to locate in markets where our clients expand, attract top legal talent and strengthen the firm's core practice areas.

In launching the Miami office location, Vedder Price is well positioned to continue to serve South Florida client needs in its largest practices, Finance, M&A/Private Equity and Global Transportation Finance, while continuing to expand its Capital Markets footprint.

Veteran attorney Kenneth Gerasimovich joined the Miami office as a Shareholder in the firm's Finance & Transactions practice area. Mr. Gerasimovich joins the firm after spending the last 18 years as a Shareholder with Greenberg Traurig. Mr. Gerasimovich has extensive experience in his field and concentrates his practice on mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, securities, SPAC business combinations and private equity investments. Mr. Gerasimovich also provides the Miami office with significant experience in assisting clients with technology, health care and life sciences, manufacturing, real estate, energy and media-related matters.

Vedder Price Expands Labor and Employment Practice, Adds Shareholder Hope Goldstein

Vedder Price is pleased to announce that veteran attorney Hope Goldstein has joined the Firm as a Shareholder in the Labor and Employment practice area.

Ms. Goldstein's practice covers a wide range of issues concerning employers, and she provides both traditional labor law and employment law advice and litigation services. She has extensive experience representing clients in matters involving compliance with the National Labor Relations Act, labor negotiations and arbitrations, mergers and acquisitions, labor crisis management and long-term workforce strategies. More specifically, she negotiates, drafts and implements collective bargaining agreements, extension agreements and shutdown agreements. In addition, Ms. Goldstein's employment law practice includes defending employers against discrimination, harassment, retaliation and the full range of statutory and common law employment claims.

33 Vedder Price Attorneys Recognized in Thomson Reuters' Super Lawyers 2023: 22 as Super Lawyers, 11 as Rising Stars

Vedder Price is pleased to announce that 22 Shareholders have been recognized as Super Lawyers by Thomson Reuters' *Super Lawyers 2023*. Super Lawyers 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 patented selection process includes independent research, peer nominations and peer evaluations. Additionally, 11 Vedder Price attorneys have been recognized as 2023 *Super Lawyers* Rising Stars.

Super Lawyers

Chicago

- Anthony J. Ashley
- Eugene A. Boyle
- Thomas P. Cimino, Jr.
- Thomas R. Dee
- James V. Garvey
- Blaine C. Kimrey
- Julie L. Langdon
- Randall M. Lending
- Douglas J. Lipke
- Michael R. Mulcahy
- Michael A. Nemeroff
- Jeanah Park
- David M. Rownd
- Chad A. Schiefelbein
- Jordan A. Sigale
- Patrick W. Spangler
- Gregory G. Wrobel
- Junaid A. Zubairi

Los Angeles

- Anthony Pacheco

Washington, DC

- Amy L. Bess
- Brent Connor
- Edward K. Gross

Rising Stars

Chicago

- Conor A. Gaughan
- Nusra Ismail
- Julia Lynn Koechley
- Joshua Nichols
- Jonathon Reinisch
- Zachary J. Watters
- Alex C. Weinstein

Los Angeles

- Marie E. Christiansen

Dallas

- Arianna G. Goodman
- Mark Svalina
- Nathan Telep

Vedder Price Singapore Distinguished by *The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2023*

Vedder Price is pleased to announce that *The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2023* has recognized Vedder Price Singapore for the second time in Asset Finance: Foreign Firms. Opened in 2016, the Singapore office is the Asian home base for the Vedder Price Global Transportation Finance practice, serving clients in asset finance, transactions, secured lending, general equipment leasing and finance, securities and capital market transactions and related corporate matters, including tax and regulatory concerns.

Practice Group Ranking

- Singapore Asset Finance: Foreign Firms Tier 3

Editorially Recommended

- Bill Gibson
- Geoffrey Kass
- Ji Woon Kim

Vedder Price Global Transportation Finance Team Wins *Airline Economics* Recognition Through Private Placement Transaction

Vedder Price's Global Transportation Finance team is pleased to announce that it has received *Airline Economics 2023* Capital Markets Deal of the Year recognition in connection with the recent closing of MAST 2022-1's commercial aircraft portfolio financing transaction.

Vedder Price Represents Byline Bancorp, Inc. in its Merger with Inland Bancorp, Inc.

Vedder Price is pleased to announce that it represented Byline Bancorp, Inc. (Byline), parent company of Byline Bank, in its announced merger with Inland Bancorp, Inc., parent company of Inland Bank and Trust, pursuant to which Inland will combine with Byline in a cash and stock transaction valued at approximately \$165 million.

The transaction is expected to close during the second quarter of 2023. Closing of the transaction is subject to regulatory approvals, the approval of Inland Bancorp, Inc.'s stockholders, and the satisfaction of certain other closing conditions.

The Vedder Price team advising Byline includes Dan McKay, Jim Morrissey, Jennifer King and Tom Desmond, and Mark Svalina and Mary Donohue.

Vedder Price Represents Excel Scientific LLC in its Acquisition of Innovize, LLC

Vedder Price is pleased to announce that it represented Excel Scientific LLC, a portfolio company of Vance Street Capital LLC, in its acquisition of Innovize, LLC, a Minnesota-based, advanced medical contract manufacturer primarily focused on complex materials conversion for critical components of diagnostics, wearables and electronics-focused devices. The deal will further strengthen Vance Street Capital's advanced MedTech and Life Sciences materials and contract manufacturing platform.

The Vedder Price team advising Excel Scientific LLC included Michael Nemeroff, President & CEO, M&A shareholder Jason Reese and associates Greg Ge and Joe Zhou, finance shareholder Jacqueline Helmrick Carlson, tax associate Grant Kaiser, intellectual property shareholder John Burke, environmental associate Dana Mehlman, executive compensation associate Jason Faust, health care associate Shalyn McKitt, real estate associate Patrick Johnston and international trade and compliance associate Jamie Rosenberg.

Vedder Price Represents Wealth Manager Kovitz in Launch of First ETF Conversion in the Form of a Fund Combination

Vedder Price is pleased to announce that it has represented Kovitz Investment Group Partners, LLC in the launch of Kovitz Core Equity ETF (NYSE Arca: EQTY), which was launched through the combination of two mutual funds – Marathon Value Portfolio and Green Owl Intrinsic Value Fund. The transaction represents the first ETF conversion effected through a combination of two mutual funds. The transaction required a shareholder vote by the shareholders of Marathon Value Portfolio (not typical for ETF conversions), and also included a contribution of assets by numerous separately managed accounts of the adviser.

Vedder Price, led by Investment Services Group Shareholders Deborah Bielicke Eades, Joseph Mannon and Jeremy Senderowicz, assisted Kovitz in the formation of Kovitz Core Equity ETF and in all aspects of the conversion of the mutual funds and separately managed accounts. The Vedder Price team guided Kovitz through complex regulatory, tax and operational issues associated with the transaction. Other contributing team members included Investment Services Group associate Ryan Hajen, Tax Shareholder Dan Sherlock and Tax counsel Amy Lewis.

Vedder Price Represents Wynnchurch Capital, L.P. in its Acquisition of Industrial Service Solutions

Vedder Price is pleased to announce that it represented Wynnchurch Capital, L.P. in its acquisition of Industrial Service Solutions (ISS), a leading industrial maintenance, repair and operations platform for rotating and process equipment based in Houston, Texas, from The Edgewater Funds and JZ Capital Partners.

The Vedder Price team advising Wynnchurch Capital included Michael Nemeroff, President & CEO, corporate shareholder Jason Reese and associates Greg Ge, Joe Zhou, Miri Joo, Mary Donohue and Sara Levine, finance shareholder Jacqueline Helmrick Carlson and associate Bradley Hemmer, tax shareholder Matthew Larvick, tax associate Grant Kaiser, executive compensation and benefits associate Jason Faust, employment law associate Ashley Stein, environmental associate Dana Mehlman, litigation associate Mindy Wong, and real estate associate Patrick Johnston.

Vedder Price Represents Evriholder in its Sale to Kainos Capital

Vedder Price is pleased to announce that it represented Evriholder, a portfolio company of The Edgewater Funds, in its sale to Kainos Capital. Evriholder is a leading provider of innovative housewares products.

The Vedder Price team advising Evriholder included Michael Nemeroff, President & CEO, M&A shareholders Shelby Parnes and Joe Bueche and associates Zack Iacovino and Natalie Fine, executive compensation and employee benefits shareholder Daniel Lange and associate Jason Faust, antitrust shareholder Brian McCalmon, finance shareholder Marie Godush, tax shareholder Matt Larvick and associate Grant Kaiser.

Vedder Price Represents TBI in its Sale to AppDirect

Vedder Price is pleased to announce that it represented TBI, one of the leading technology service aggregators in North America, in its sale to AppDirect. AppDirect is the world's leading B2B subscription commerce platform.

The Vedder Price team advising TBI was led by shareholder William Bettman, and included finance shareholder Denise Tormey, corporate associates Alexa Zelmanowicz and Ellen Goff, employee benefits and executive compensation shareholder Daniel Lange, labor & employment shareholder Thomas Hancuch, tax shareholder Matt Larvick and antitrust shareholder Greg Wrobel.

Dana Armagno Receives *Crain's Chicago Business* 2022 Notable Gen X Leaders in Accounting, Consulting and Law Recognition

Vedder Price is pleased to announce that Operating Shareholder Dana Armagno has been recognized for inclusion in the prestigious *Crain's Chicago Business* 2022 Notable Gen X Leaders in Accounting, Consulting and Law list.

Jennifer Durham King Selected by *Best Lawyers* as an Illinois 2023 Lawyer of the Year Honoree

Vedder Price is pleased to announce that Jennifer King, Shareholder and Co-Chair of the Firm's Securities & Capital Markets group, has been selected by *Best Lawyers* as an honoree for its 2023 Illinois "Lawyer of the Year" recognition in the Financial Services Regulation law category.

Jason Reese Named to *Los Angeles Business Journal's* Leaders of Influence: 2022 Thriving in Their 40s List

Vedder Price is pleased to announce that Jason Reese, Managing Shareholder for the firm's Los Angeles office, has been named to the annual *Los Angeles Business Journal's* Leaders of Influence: 2022 Thriving in Their 40s List.

Vedder Price Attorney Mindy Wong Elected as President of the Charles Houston Bar Association

Vedder Price is pleased to announce that Mindy Wong, an attorney in Vedder Price's San Francisco office and a member of the firm's Litigation group, has been elected President of the Charles Houston Bar Association ("CHBA"). Wong is a CHBA Lifetime Member and has served on the CHBA Board of Directors for the past three years.

Candice Zee Named Fellow of Leadership Council on Legal Diversity; Nusra Ismail and Shalyn McKitt Join Pathfinder Program

Vedder Price is pleased to announce that Shareholder Candice Zee has been named to the 2023 class of Fellows of the Leadership Council on Legal Diversity (LCLD).

The Fellows Program is designed to help attract, inspire and nurture talent within organizations to help a new and more diverse generation of attorneys ascend to positions of leadership. The class of Fellows actively participates in a landmark program to identify, train and advance the next generation of leaders in the legal profession.

In addition, Nusra Ismail and Shalyn McKitt were selected to be members of the LCLD's 2023 class of Pathfinders. This marks the fifth year Vedder Price is participating in the LCLD Pathfinders Program.