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Taft Elects Six New Partners

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Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP announces that the following six attorneys have been elected to the firm's partnership:

- **Russell C. Menyhart** / Litigation, Business & Finance / Indianapolis
- **Jonathan B. Amarilio** / Litigation / Chicago
- **Nicholas E. Davis, Jr.** / Labor & Employment / Dayton
- **Kristine M. Kolky** / Litigation / Chicago
- **Jessica Mager** / Private Client / Columbus
- **Chad R. Ziepfel** / Litigation / Cincinnati



Russell C. Menyhart works on complex litigation and international legal issues. A former diplomat with extensive international experience and fluent in Mandarin Chinese, Menyhart assists U.S. and foreign clients with international legal issues, including dispute resolution, export control compliance and immigration. His litigation practice focuses on complex civil litigation, including appellate and constitutional matters. Menyhart also leads Taft's social enterprise practice, working with benefit corporations and impact investors. He received his undergraduate degree in East Asian Studies from Oberlin College and his J.D. from Indiana University Maurer School of Law – Bloomington.



Jonathan B. Amarilio focuses his practice in civil appellate litigation and critical motion practice and has been involved in numerous high profile cases. He regularly represents individuals, small businesses, state and local governments, and Fortune 500 companies before state and federal appellate courts, primarily the Illinois Appellate Court, the Illinois Supreme Court and the United States Court of Appeals for the 7th Circuit. He has also served as a special assistant attorney general for the state of Illinois and as a special assistant

corporation counsel for the city of Chicago in a number of matters. Amarilio received his B.A., *cum laude*, from American University and earned his J.D. from the University of Iowa College of Law. He has been honored as an Illinois *Super Lawyers* Rising Star (2014-2016) and as an Emerging Lawyer by Leading Lawyers Network (2015-2016).



Nicholas E. Davis, Jr. represents management in a wide variety of occupational safety and employment related matters, including workers' compensation claims, employer intentional torts, violations of specific safety requirements (VSSRs), OSHA citations, employment discrimination and unemployment compensation. He represents both state-funded and self-insured employers before the Industrial Commission of Ohio, the Courts of Common Pleas, Ohio Appellate Courts and the Ohio Supreme Court. He has significant litigation experience, having defended numerous cases to jury trial. Davis also assists employers with BWC audit disputes, group-rating issues and applications for self-insurance. In addition, he devotes his time to assisting employers in serious accident investigations. Davis received his undergraduate degree from Kent State University and earned his J.D. from the University of Dayton School of Law.



Kristine M. Kolky focuses her practice on complex commercial litigation, including commercial foreclosure and creditor's rights litigation. She regularly represents financial institutions and other lenders in litigation arising from commercial transactions, contract disputes and real estate matters. She also represents court-appointed receivers in various litigation and has experience handling employment disputes and mechanics lien litigation. Kolky works with the National Immigrant Justice Center and represents asylum seekers pro bono in both the application process and litigation arising out of removal proceedings. Kolky received her undergraduate degree from the University of Michigan and earned her J.D. from DePaul University College of Law. She has been honored as an Emerging Lawyer by Leading Lawyers Network (2016).



Jessica Mager focuses her practice in the family law area. She routinely represents clients in all aspects of domestic relations litigation, including complex divorce with an emphasis in child custody matters, establishment and enforcement of child and spousal support, establishment of paternity and general civil litigation. In addition to Ohio, she is licensed to practice in federal court in the Southern District of California. Mager received her undergraduate degree from Bowling Green State University and earned her J.D. from Capital

University School of Law. She has been honored as an Ohio *Super Lawyers* Rising Star (2007, 2009-2013).



Chad R. Ziepfel regularly assists clients with internal investigations and advocates on behalf of businesses, executives, public officers and other individuals involved in criminal prosecutions and investigations. In addition to his white collar practice, Ziepfel routinely represents companies and individuals in matters involving a wide variety of commercial litigation, including business and contract disputes, injunctive relief, creditor's rights and collections, misappropriation of trade secrets and various other complex commercial disputes. Ziepfel received his undergraduate degree from Miami University and earned his J.D. from Wake Forest University School of Law. He has been honored as an Ohio *Super Lawyers* Rising Star (2014-2017) and has been listed in *Best Lawyers in America* for commercial litigation (2013-2017).

About Taft

At Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP, delivering outstanding legal performance to help clients succeed is what drives and motivates our more than 400 attorneys every day. Taft has offices in Ann Arbor, Mich.; Chicago, Ill.; Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus and Dayton, Ohio; Indianapolis, Ind.; Covington, Ky.; and Phoenix, Ariz. The firm practices across a wide range of industries, in virtually every area of law, including Business and Finance; Litigation; Labor and Employment; Intellectual Property; Business Restructuring, Bankruptcy and Creditor Rights; Environmental; Health and Life Sciences; Private Client Services; Real Estate; and Tax. With a proven track record of experience since 1885, the firm offers breadth and depth of legal expertise coupled with a trusted business perspective to help our clients reach their goals. For more information, please visit www.taftlaw.com.

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