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Manko, Gold, Katcher & Fox and its Attorneys Listed in 2016 Editions of Chambers USA and Super Lawyers

Philadelphia, PA (May 31, 2016) –Manko, Gold, Katcher & Fox, LLP, the environmental, energy and land use law firm based just outside of Philadelphia, PA, and several MGKF attorneys have been recognized in their field this year by *Chambers USA 2016: America's Leading Lawyers for Business ("Chambers USA")**. The firm itself has been ranked by *Chambers USA* in the top tier for environmental law since the first law firm rankings began in 2004. Nine attorneys have been individually ranked. The attorneys who were recognized this year for their work in environmental law include: Joseph M. Manko, Marc E. Gold, Bruce S. Katcher, Robert D. Fox, Michael M. Meloy, John F. Gullace, Bart E. Cassidy, Jonathan H. Spergel, and Carol F. McCabe. MGKF not only had the highest number of attorneys included in the listing, but also the most attorneys included in Band 1, with three, including Fox, Gold and Meloy. Attorneys Manko, Gold and Cassidy have been included in the rankings since the initial 2003 Chambers edition. Chambers USA is issued by Chambers and Partners.

65 percent of the MGKF attorneys have been included in the <u>2016 Super Lawyers</u>* list published by Thomson Reuters. In total, sixteen partners are listed in *Pennsylvania Super Lawyers* magazine, including Joseph M. Manko, Marc E. Gold, Michael M. Meloy, Robert D. Fox, Jill Hyman Kaplan, Jonathan E. Rinde, Bart E. Cassidy, Brenda Hustis Gotanda, Jonathan H. Spergel, Rodd W. Bender and Carol F. McCabe for environmental law and Neil S. Witkes, John F. Gullace, Nicole R. Moshang, and Suzanne Ilene Schiller for environmental litigation. Bruce S. Katcher is listed in both *Pennsylvania and New Jersey Super Lawyers* listings for environmental law.

Additionally, Matthew C. Sullivan is included in the <u>2016 Pennsylvania Rising Stars</u> list for environmental law while Kathleen Campbell and Diana A. Silva are listed for environmental litigation. Thomson Reuters defines "Rising Stars" as up and coming attorneys 40 years old or younger, or who have been practicing 10 years or less.

According to *Chambers USA*, the firm and its attorneys were ranked based on in-depth interviews with both lawyers and clients. All interviews were conducted specifically for research purposes and remain entirely confidential and anonymous. Through the interviews, researchers were able to acquire information about MGKF's and individuals' qualities including legal ability, professional conduct, client service, commercial astuteness, diligence, commitment and other characteristics most valued by the client. Further information on the *Chambers USA* selection process may be found at http://www.chambersandpartners.com/methodology.

According to Thomson Reuters, attorneys are selected for *Super Lawyers* listings using a rigorous, multiphase rating process. Peer nominations and evaluations, obtained from survey ballots sent to Pennsylvania and New Jersey attorneys, respectively, are combined with third party research. Each candidate is evaluated on 12 indicators of peer recognition and professional achievement, combined with the background and experience of candidates, divided according to their firm size—small, medium and large. The selection process for "Rising Stars" is the same as "Super Lawyers", but candidates for "Rising Stars" do not go through peer evaluation by practice area. Selections are made on an annual, state-by-state basis. Further information on the *Super Lawyers* selection process may be found at http://www.superlawyers.com/about/selection_process.html.

MGKF concentrates its practice in environmental, energy, litigation, safety and land use law. It represents clients ranging from Fortune 100 corporations to small, privately held enterprises, both in the Mid-Atlantic region and on a national basis. MGKF is honored to be the top-rated law firm, since 2011, in the Top Workplaces surveys by the Philadelphia Inquirer, Daily News and Philly.com. The firm was recently recognized by Law360, produced by Portfolio Media, Inc., as one of the top 20 "Ceiling Smashers" for Female Partners in the nation, based on its percentage of women in the partnership. Offices are located at: 401 City Avenue, Suite 901, Bala Cynwyd, Pennsylvania; 535 Route 38, Suite 145A, Cherry Hill, New Jersey; and at 25 West Third Street, Suite 303, Williamsport, Pennsylvania. For additional information, visit www.mankogold.com or call 484-430-5700, 856-317-1299, or 570-567-7325.

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