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MGKF's Joseph Manko and Robert Fox Selected to Receive 2018 Influencer of Law Awards



Joseph M. Manko



Robert D. Fox

Philadelphia, PA (June 28, 2018) – Manko, Gold, Katcher & Fox Partners Joseph Manko and Robert Fox have been selected to receive the prestigious 2018 Influencer of Law Awards. The awards are sponsored by Philadelphia Media Network, publisher of the Philadelphia Inquirer, Daily News and Philly.com. Manko is being honored for his lifetime achievement in law, while Fox is the sole honoree in the environmental category. The honorees were nominated and selected by an external panel of judges who represent experts in the industry. They will be celebrated at an awards program at the Crystal Tea Room in mid-July as well as profiled in a special section of the Philadelphia Inquirer.

MGKF Managing Partner Jonathan Spergel said, “We are so proud to have two of our named partners listed among the 25 honorees. As the founder of our firm, Joe Manko has forged a remarkable path for many others to follow in the practice of environmental law. Not only did Robb Fox follow Joe’s path, but he has demonstrated his excellence throughout his incredibly distinguished career.”

Joseph Manko brings more than four decades of experience advising clients on environmental matters involving real estate transactions and development, regulatory permitting and compliance, environmental reporting and alternative dispute resolution. Prior to founding the firm in 1989, he founded and chaired the Environmental Department at Wolf, Block, Schorr and Solis-Cohen. Manko spent 18 years teaching environmental law courses at the University of Pennsylvania and Vermont Law Schools. He is the past chair of the Pennsylvania Environmental Council, former vice chair of the State Water Law Committee of the Pennsylvania Bar Association, and past chair of the Environmental Law Committee of the Philadelphia Bar Association. Joe serves as the Vice President and Development Co-Chair of the Fairmount Park Conservancy and as an Executive Committee member and Co-Chair of the Development Committee for the Philadelphia Orchestra.

Robert Fox has a diverse practice involving compliance counseling, litigation and transactional work for clients in the waste, chemical manufacturing and development industries and on behalf of cities and municipalities. He is recognized nationally for his work under the federal Superfund law including handling many high-profile Superfund matters such as the Keystone Landfill matter, featured on 60 Minutes, and the Gowanus Canal and Newtown Creek sites. Robb's litigation experience extends to class action and toxic tort defense and appeals before federal and state environmental hearing boards. He also represents local, regional and national clients in the environmental aspects of business transactions, ranging from redeveloping brownfields to managing liabilities in the environmental acquisition and divestiture of multinational companies.

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 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 Seven Waterfront Plaza, Suite 400, 500 Ala Moana Blvd., Honolulu, HI. For additional information, visit www.mankogold.com or call 484-430-5700; 856-317-1299 or 808-892-4334.

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