

Peckar & Abramson, P.C. Announces New Partners David Fultz, Scott Kearns and Denis Serkin

Firm Also Announces New Senior Counsel and Senior Associates

NEW YORK—December 29, 2015 – **Peckar & Abramson, P.C. (P&A)** is pleased to announce that three attorneys have been promoted and named Partners effective January 1, 2016, namely **David Fultz** from the New York office and **Scott Kearns** and **Denis Serkin** from the New Jersey office.

The firm has also promoted five attorneys to the position of Senior Counsel and Senior Associate. **Warren Friedman** from the Miami office, **Jesse Keene** from the Washington, D.C. office, and **Jenifer Minsky** from the New Jersey office were promoted to the position of Senior Counsel.

The firm also welcomed **Monique Cardenas** and **K. Stefan Chin** from its Miami office to the position of Senior Associate. These appointments will also be effective January 1, 2016.

P&A Chairman, **Steven M. Charney**, in announcing the new promotions, congratulated the attorneys and explained the reasons for the firm’s decision to name new partners: “These attorneys have distinguished themselves as highly dedicated and capable counsel, and have achieved outstanding results for our clients. Their talents and dedication support the firm’s core strengths and position us to better serve our clients and the construction and development industries we serve.”

[About David A. Fultz](#)

David Fultz has over 12 years of legal experience in construction litigation and alternative dispute resolution. Primarily representing construction managers, general contractors and sureties, Mr. Fultz works closely with Peckar & Abramson’s clientele to develop and implement practical strategies for resolving their business disputes effectively and efficiently. A highly accomplished legal analyst, Mr. Fultz has a proven track record of successfully prosecuting and defending claims in Federal District and Bankruptcy Courts, the State Courts of New York and New Jersey, in mediation and other alternative dispute resolution

forums. A resident of the firm's New York Office, Mr. Fultz is a graduate of Syracuse University and St. John's University School of Law.

About Scott G. Kearns

Scott Kearns has served Peckar & Abramson clients for over a decade, practicing primarily in the construction law and commercial litigation practice groups. Throughout his career, Mr. Kearns has represented and counseled general contractors, construction managers, owners, subcontractors and design professionals in connection with a broad range of construction disputes before the State and Federal Courts, and at arbitration and mediation. A former Assistant District Attorney and long-time civil litigator, Mr. Kearns has substantial trial experience, resulting in many favorable trial verdicts and substantial monetary awards. Mr. Kearns is a frequent writer on topical issues relevant to construction practice, litigation and alternative dispute resolution. He received his law degree from the Fordham University School of Law and a Bachelor of Science degree from Union College.

About Denis Serkin

Denis Serkin has almost 20 years of experience in the construction industry. Due to his background in project engineering, he is especially effective in counseling clients and understanding their needs. He has represented clients in a number of market segments, including construction management, general and EPC contracting, real estate development, power/energy and infrastructure. Mr. Serkin has extensive dispute resolution experience in the prosecution and defense of various construction claims and disputes, including scheduling, delay and impact damages, liens, payment/performance bonds and design defects.

About Warren E. Friedman

Warren Friedman represents contractors, construction managers and other businesses across the construction industry on both public and private projects. Additionally, he assists clients in all phases of Public-Private Partnerships (P3s) from concept and permitting, to bidding and project capture, and then through construction, operation and maintenance. Mr. Friedman also has extensive experience with licensure issues, surety relations, negotiating and drafting various contract documents, monitoring the construction process, regulatory compliance, counseling clients through project administration and providing cost-effective and aggressive solutions to disputes and litigation. He is Board Certified in Construction Law by the Florida Bar. Mr. Friedman joined the firm in 2008 and earned his Bachelor of Arts degree from Emory University and his law degree from Nova Southeastern University.

About Jesse S. Keene

Jesse S. Keene is based in Peckar & Abramson's Washington, D.C. office, where he focuses his practice primarily on construction and government contracts litigation. Mr. Keene counsels clients throughout the construction industry on a variety of matters, including contract negotiation, breach of contracts claim, requests for equitable adjustment, mechanic's liens, payment and performance bonds and commercial disputes. Although Mr. Keene is an experienced litigator, having successfully tried numerous cases in state and federal courts and before arbitral panels, he prefers to help his clients achieve their business goals without resorting to litigation. Mr. Keene has been twice selected for inclusion of Super Lawyer's list of

Rising Stars in the District of Columbia and was a Senior Associate at a Chambers USA-ranked boutique construction litigation firm before joining Peckar & Abramson two years ago.

About Jenifer B. Minsky

Jenifer Minsky is a seasoned construction lawyer, who specializes in managing risk associated with construction contracts, and has extensive experience litigating construction disputes, claims arising from delays, construction and design defects, liens and construction accidents. Ms. Minsky is the ProjectNotice® program manager in Peckar & Abramson's New Jersey office. She is admitted to practice in the State of New Jersey and the State of New York, and U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third District. Ms. Minsky received her Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Delaware and her Juris Doctor degree, *cum laude*, from Brooklyn Law School, where she served as Articles Editor of the *Journal of Law and Policy*.

About Monique S. Cardenas

Monique Cardenas has been with the Firm for 7 years and represents clients in construction lawsuits involving construction defects, delay claims, contractual disputes, lien disputes, bond claims, insurance claims, commercial landlord/tenant disputes, governmental and environmental compliance claims and other construction-related claims. Ms. Cardenas' notable client work includes representation of owners, construction managers, general contractors, public entities and sureties on a range of complex construction contract, project administration, and commercial litigation matters. Ms. Cardenas is admitted to practice in the State of Florida and the U.S. District Courts for the Northern, Middle, and Southern District of Florida, along with the Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit. She received her Bachelor of Arts degree in criminology from University of Florida and Juris Doctor degree from the University of Florida.

About K. Stefan Chin

K. Stefan Chin is an accomplished litigator in Peckar & Abramson's Miami Construction Law Practice. He focuses on construction and other civil litigation, as well as arbitration, mediation, and dispute resolution board proceedings for construction and design-defect claims, contract claims, construction lien claims, delay and impact claims, bond claims, and insurance claims. Mr. Chin is admitted to practice in the State of Florida and U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida. He received his Bachelor of Architecture, with honors, from the University of Miami and his Juris Doctor degree from Emory University.

About Peckar & Abramson, P.C.

Peckar & Abramson, P.C. maintains offices in New York, California, Washington, D.C., Florida, Illinois, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Georgia, and has affiliations with global firms in Latin America, through its founding membership in CONSTRULEGAL, London and China. In addition to its core construction practice, the firm has practice groups who counsel contractors on labor and employment matters, corporate and regulatory compliance issues including D/M/WBE compliance and general corporate and real estate matters. The firm's website can be found at www.pecklaw.com.

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