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GALLAGHER & KENNEDY RECENTLY RECOGNIZED BY TWO ESTEEMED LEGAL RANKING PUBLICATIONS

PHOENIX, Ariz. (November 10, 2016) – The law firm of Gallagher & Kennedy announced today its inclusion in the national and metropolitan rankings in the *U.S. News – Best Lawyers*® 2017 list of "Best Law Firms." Further reinforcing its position in the market, the firm also recently received top accolades in the 2017 edition of *Benchmark Litigation*.

Law firms considered 2017 "Best Law Firms" are recognized for professional excellence as well as high ratings from clients and peers. In total, the Arizona-based law firm was awarded six national rankings and 29 metropolitan rankings.

Nationally Gallagher & Kennedy was recognized for Land Use & Zoning Law, Sports Law, Appellate Practice, Commercial Litigation, Environmental Litigation and Environmental Law.

The firm earned 26 metropolitan Phoenix rankings in the following practice areas:

- Appellate Practice
- Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights
- Commercial Litigation
- Construction Law
- Corporate Law
- Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law
- Employment Law Management
- Entertainment Law Motion Pictures & Television
- Environmental Law
- Government Relations Practice
- Land Use & Zoning Law
- Litigation Bankruptcy
- Litigation Construction
- Litigation Environmental
- Litigation Labor & Employment
- Litigation Municipal
- Litigation Securities
- Mergers & Acquisitions Law
- Natural Resources Law
- Personal Injury Litigation Defendants

- Personal Injury Litigation Plaintiffs
- Product Liability Litigation Defendants
- Professional Malpractice Law- Defendants
- Real Estate Law
- Sports Law
- Tax Law

Gallagher & Kennedy's Santa Fe, New Mexico office earned three metropolitan rankings in the following practice areas:

- Environmental Law
- Litigation Environmental
- Natural Resources Law

In addition to the recognition received from "Best Law Firms", the 2017 edition of *Benchmark Litigation* named Gallagher & Kennedy a "Highly Recommended Arizona Litigation Firm" and six of its attorneys were named "Local Litigation Stars". Individual attorneys highlighted include: Founders Michael L. Gallagher and Michael K. Kennedy; as well as Kevin O'Malley, shareholder and head of the firm's litigation department; and shareholders Mark A. Fuller, Donald Peder Johnsen and Paul L. Stoller. The list of "Local Litigation Stars" for each state includes only individuals who were recommended consistently as reputable and effective litigators by clients and peers.

Published since 2008, *Benchmark Litigation* is the only publication to focus exclusively on U.S. litigation. *Benchmark Litigation* conducts an extensive interview process with litigators and clients to determine the top litigators on a local and national level.

About Gallagher & Kennedy

Established in 1978, Gallagher & Kennedy is an Arizona-based law firm with nearly 80 attorneys in offices in Phoenix and Santa Fe. Gallagher & Kennedy's clients range from Fortune 500 companies to small businesses and individuals. The firm's clientele includes Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc., the Arizona Diamondbacks, Arizona Cardinals, Bank of America and MidFirst Bank. For more information, please visit www.gknet.com or call 602-530-8000.