

## SHATZ, SCHWARTZ AND FENTIN, P.C. ATTORNEY DAVID K. WEBBER SELECTED TO 2014 MASSACHUSETTS RISING STARS LIST

**SPRINGFIELD, Mass.** – Local law firm, <u>Shatz, Schwartz and Fentin, P.C.</u>, serving Massachusetts, Connecticut and New York, today announced that Associate David K. Webber has been selected to the 2014 Massachusetts Rising Stars list in the field of closely held business. Each year, no more than 2.5 percent of the lawyers in the state are selected by the research team at Super Lawyers to receive this honor. To be selected as a Rising Star, an attorney must be nominated by other lawyers who have personally observed them in action, either as opposing counsel or co-counsel, or through other firsthand courtroom observation. The nominated lawyers are ranked by points; those with the highest point totals are named to the Rising Stars list. To ensure a diverse and well-balanced list, the research staff considers factors such as firm size, practice area and geographic location.

Super Lawyers, a Thomson Reuters business, is a rating service of outstanding lawyers from more than 70 practice areas who have attained a high degree of peer recognition and professional achievement. The annual selections are made using a patented multiphase process that includes a statewide survey of lawyers, an independent research evaluation of candidates and peer reviews by practice area. The result is a credible, comprehensive and diverse listing of exceptional attorneys that can be used as a resource to assist attorneys and sophisticated consumers in the search for legal counsel.

Attorney David K. Webber concentrates his practice in the areas of closely held business, corporate law, real estate, trusts and estates, and bankruptcy. He has regularly been selected to the Super Lawyers list of Rising Stars for his work with closely held businesses. Attorney Webber is a graduate of the Western New England University School of Law (2008), where he interned with Justice Francis X. Spina at the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court and served as note editor of the Western New England Law Review. He holds a B.A. in History from the University of Massachusetts (1999), where he graduated cum laude. He is admitted to practice before the Massachusetts Bar, the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts, and the Bureau of Veterans Affairs. Attorney Webber has regularly been selected to the Super Lawyers list of Rising Stars (2012-2014).

Attorney Webber serves his community as Chair of the Town of Amherst Planning Board, and his alma mater as a member of the Advisory Committee for the University of Massachusetts Student Legal Services Office. He is also an active member of the Hampden County Bar Association and Real Estate Section; the Massachusetts Bar Association; Real Estate Bar Association of Massachusetts, and the Estate Planning Counsel of Hampden County.

The Super Lawyers lists are published nationwide in Super Lawyers Magazines and in leading city and regional magazines and newspapers across the country. Super Lawyers Magazines also feature editorial profiles of attorneys who embody excellence in the practice of law. For more information about Super Lawyers, visit <u>SuperLawyers.com</u>.

## About Shatz, Schwartz and Fentin, P.C.

Established in 1969, Shatz, Schwartz and Fentin, P.C. specializes in business law, estate planning, commercial and tax-exempt bond financing, real estate law, litigation and bankruptcy. The firm's clients range from closely-held family enterprises to multinational companies with operations in western New England and eastern New York State. The attorneys at Shatz, Schwartz and Fentin provide efficient, cost-effective counseling and advocacy services which frequently involve the use of innovative techniques. The firm, which consists of 13 attorneys, has offices in Springfield and Northampton, Mass., and Albany, N.Y. Additional information about Shatz, Schwartz and Fentin can be found on its website, <u>ssfpc.com</u>.