

## Shatz, Schwartz and Fentin founding attorney, Steven J. Schwartz, selected for inclusion in Best Lawyers® 2019

**SPRINGFIELD, Mass.** – Local law firm, <u>Shatz, Schwartz and Fentin, P.C.</u>, serving Massachusetts, Connecticut and New York, today announced Founding Attorney Steven J. Schwartz was recently selected by his peers for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America®* 2019 in the fields of Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships), Closely Held Companies and Family Businesses Law and Corporate Law.

Attorney Schwartz, a resident of Monterey, Massachusetts, concentrates his practice in the areas of family business planning, mergers and acquisitions, corporate law and estate planning. His practice involves representation of principals in family business planning (including exit planning for business owners), representation of individuals and corporations in the purchase and sale of business enterprises, strategic planning for the future of clients' businesses and providing advice as to alternatives in financing through loans and venture capital. Attorney Schwartz is a graduate of the Boston University School of Law (1966) and Babson College (1963). Regularly selected to both the Super Lawyers® and *The Best Lawyers in America* lists, he is known as a veteran and leader of the law.

Attorney Schwartz is a member of the Hampden County, Massachusetts and New York State Bar Associations. He is also a member of several civic and community organizations including: the William J. Gould Associates, Inc., residential therapeutic community; Pioneer Valley Council Boy Scouts of America; Berkshire Hatchery Foundation; and Attorneys for Family-Held Enterprises. Attorney Schwartz previously served as a member of several civic and community organizations including: Springfield Technical Community College, major gifts campaign, steering committee; World Affairs Council, Inc.; Parents' Organization at the Rhode Island School of Design (of which he is also a founder); Institutional Advancement Committee, Rhode Island School of Design; Western New England Enterprise Forum (of which he is also a co-founder); Springfield Tax Club; Urban League; Jewish Community Center; and South End Community Center.

Best Lawyers is the oldest and most respected peer review publication in the legal profession. Best Lawyers peer-reviewed listings are published in almost 75 countries around the world. The 2018 edition includes 58,507 attorneys in 145 practice areas, covering all 50 states and the District of Columbia, and inclusion in this year's publication is based on more than 7.4 million detailed evaluations of lawyers by other lawyers.

Corporate Counsel magazine has called Best Lawyers "the most respected referral list of attorneys in practice."

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

The nationally recognized attorneys at Shatz, Schwartz and Fentin, P.C., concentrate their practices in the areas of business planning, estate planning, elder and special needs law, estate settlement, commercial lending and tax-exempt bond financing, commercial real estate transactions, environmental law, zoning and permitting, trust and estates litigation, commercial litigation, tax law and bankruptcy. The firm's institutional clients range from nonprofit corporations and closely held family enterprises to multinational corporations with operations throughout New England and eastern New York. The firm's philosophy is to place the client's needs first by providing tailored, results-oriented, cost-effective approaches to problem-solving and keeping current with innovative strategies. Founded in 1969 by two legal services attorneys, the firm 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, ssfpc.com.