

# WALKER WILCOX ELECTS STEPHEN VENABLE AND HIRES FOUR NEW ASSOCIATES

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**Chicago, Illinois, March 19, 2015** – Walker Wilcox Matousek LLP announces the election of Stephen O. Venable to Partner in the firm's Houston office and the hiring of four new associates in the firm's Chicago office: Bridget M. Curry, Kevin A. Lahm, Scott T. Stirling and Alla Cherkassky.

**Stephen O. Venable** represents domestic and international insurers in property, general commercial liability and professional liability matters. Stephen has litigated cases in more than 50 counties throughout Texas as well as Texas federal courts. He is a 2001 graduate from the University of Texas at Austin, and a 2006 graduate from South Texas College of Law. For more information on some of Stephen's recent highlights, please see his bio.

**Bridget M. Curry** graduated *summa cum laude* from Michigan State University College of Law (2010). Prior to becoming an attorney, she worked as an extern for the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs' Appellate Litigation Group in Washington, D.C. and at the Office of Financial and Insurance Regulation for the State of Michigan. Bridget focuses her practice in the areas of litigation, appeals and insurance coverage.

**Kevin A. Lahm** graduated *cum laude* from Chicago-Kent College of Law (2011). While in law school, Kevin represented Chicago-Kent in the Phillip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition. He concentrates his practice on insurance coverage and litigation over a wide range of areas including cyber and privacy risks.

**Scott T. Stirling** graduated *cum laude* from Washington University School of Law (2011), where he served as an Associate Editor of the Washington University Global Studies Law Review. After law school, he completed a fellowship serving low-income Chicagoans at the Legal Assistance Foundation of Metropolitan Chicago. He is admitted to both the Illinois and Arkansas bars, and practices in the areas of commercial litigation and insurance coverage.

**Alla Cherkassky** is a Notre Dame Law School graduate (2014) and served as a judicial extern to the Honorable Jon E. DeGuilio of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Indiana. She also interned with the United States Attorney's Office in the Northern District of Illinois. Alla practices in the areas of insurance coverage and general litigation.

Walker Wilcox Matousek LLP is proud of their continued growth and is looking ahead as they celebrate their 10-year anniversary on April 18<sup>th</sup> of this year. What started as an 8 person firm in 2005 has grown to 40 attorneys providing clients with effective and innovative legal services that deliver value and solutions.