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Moss & Barnett is pleased to announce that *The Best Lawyers in America*[®] has named Kevin M. Busch, Christopher D. Stall, and James J. Vedder as "Lawyers of the Year" in Minneapolis for 2023. Only a single lawyer in each practice area and designated metropolitan area is honored as the *Best Lawyers* "Lawyer of the Year," making this accolade particularly significant. Lawyers honored as "Lawyer of the Year" are selected based on particularly impressive voting averages received during the exhaustive peer-review assessments *Best Lawyers* conducts with thousands of leading lawyers each year. Receiving this designation reflects the high level of respect a lawyer has earned among other leading lawyers in the same communities and the same practice areas for their abilities, professionalism, and integrity.

Kevin was named as the 2023 Securitization and Structured Finance Law "Lawyer of the Year" in Minneapolis. Kevin was also named a *Best Lawyers* Litigation-Banking and Finance "Lawyer of the Year" in Minneapolis in 2022 and a *Best Lawyers* Financial Services Regulation Law "Lawyer of the Year" in Minneapolis in 2020, 2018, and 2015. Kevin leads the firm's team of lawyers practicing in financial services. Since 1981, he has practiced in the areas of bank regulation, commercial lending, real estate lending, and the Uniform Commercial Code. Kevin also serves as Moss & Barnett's Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer and is a Director on its Board of Directors. Chris was named as the 2023 Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships) "Lawyer of the Year" in Minneapolis. Chris has extensive experience with drafting and negotiating contracts, business restructurings, mergers and acquisitions, financings, strategic partnerships, distribution agreements, licenses, governance issues, exit strategies, and sales and recapitalizations. He works with clients across many industries, including insurance, investment advisors, health care, manufacturing, distribution, pharmacy, hospitality, transportation, and accounting, as well as law, medical, and other professional service firms. Chris regularly assists closely held businesses regarding governance, risk management, contracting, and operational issues. Chris also serves as Chair of Moss & Barnett's Commercial Department.

Jim was named as the 2023 Family Law "Lawyer of the Year" in Minneapolis. Jim has significant trial and settlement experience in complex marital dissolution matters, including the division of marital and nonmarital assets, the division of closely held businesses, spousal maintenance, child support, and custody issues. He regularly advises in the areas of antenuptial, prenuptial, and postnuptial agreements; business valuation litigation; complex litigation and settlement of marital and nonmarital assets; complex nonmarital tracing; spousal maintenance and child support; custody settlement and litigation; settlement negotiations; and appeals. Jim also serves as a Director on Moss & Barnett's Board of Directors.