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DONALD J. FEATHERSTONE NAMED TOP IP LAWYER INFLUENCING NANOTECHNOLOGY

WASHINGTON, DC – Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox P.L.L.C., an intellectual property law firm in Washington, DC, is pleased to announce that Donald J. Featherstone, a director with the firm, has been recognized as one of the "Top Ten Intellectual Property Lawyers Influencing Nanotechnology" in the Summer 2008 issue of *Nanotechnology Law and Business*.

The publication describes how Mr. Featherstone's background as an employee of the United States Patent and Trademark Office helped shape his experience. Prior to joining Sterne Kessler in 1988, he worked as a patent examiner reviewing patent applications for semiconductor devices. Additionally, his profile in *Nanotechnology Law and Business* notes that Mr. Featherstone's "knowledge of advanced technologies establishes him as a first-rate counselor for companies at the cutting edge of technological development."

As leader of Sterne Kessler's Electronics Practice Group since 2007, and chair of the firm's nanotechnology task force since 2003, Mr. Featherstone represents a wide range of clients from start-ups and emerging growth companies to large multi-national corporations. He speaks and writes frequently on the subject of nanotechnology.

The editors of *Nanotechnology Law & Business* state that those recognized were selected for this list based on factors such as number of patents prosecuted, diversity of high technology clients, and general involvement in the nanotech community.

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