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Chambers High Net Worth Ranks Hahn Loeser & Parks LLP & Attorneys in Private Wealth Law

CLEVELAND (July 16, 2019) - Hahn Loeser & Parks LLP is proud to announce that *Chambers High Net Worth*, an annual guide identifying the world's leading high net worth advisors in the private wealth market, ranked Hahn Loeser in Band 2 in <u>Ohio: Private Wealth Law</u> in its 2019 edition and has recognized <u>M. Patricia Culler</u>, <u>Christina D. Evans</u> and <u>Stephen H. Gariepy</u> as "leaders in their field" in Ohio: Private Wealth Law.

According to Chambers HNW 2019, Hahn Loeser is said to have "a very talented firm with a solid and talented bench." A Cleveland market insider also gave high accolades to the firm's "sophisticated practice with excellent technical capabilities."

Culler has extensive experience in sophisticated estate, business succession and charitable gift planning for high-net-worth clients, estate settlement, trust administration, fiduciary litigation and tax matters relating to trusts and estates, including income, gift, estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes. Culler is an OSBA Board Certified Specialist in Estate Planning, Trust and Probate Law and is a fellow and past regent of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel. Quoting comments made in its interviews, *Chambers HNW* notes that, Culler, who is ranked in Band 1, is considered "incredibly knowledgeable" and "a lawyer's lawyer." Further, "she knows the law line and verse and is practical in her application" of it.

As chair in the Cleveland office of the firm's Estate Planning, Wealth Transfer & Preservation Section and Business Succession Group, Evans has been ranked in Band 3 by *Chambers HNW*. Evans is an OSBA Board Certified Specialist in Estate Planning, Trust and Probate Law and a fellow of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel. Her expertise encompasses all aspects of estate planning and estate and trust administration, including estate, gift, generation-skipping transfer, business succession and charitable tax planning for wealthy families and individuals. Interviewees in the *Chambers HNW* survey enthusiastically noted that Evans is "the nicest person you will meet" and that, "in addition to being competent and capable, she is thoughtful and considered."

Gariepy chairs Hahn Loeser's nationally respected Estate Planning, Wealth Transfer & Preservation Section and Business Succession Group. Ranked in Band 2 by *Chambers HNW*, Gariepy is a fellow of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel and was the first to receive The Best Lawyers in America® Lawyer of the Year Award for Cleveland Trusts and Estates. He focuses his practice on leading-edge estate planning techniques and regularly guides owners of privately held companies and family owned businesses through the wide range of business, tax and succession planning issues with a view toward minimizing income tax, gift tax, estate tax and generation-skipping tax. *Chambers HNW* commented "he is a top lawyer, very experienced, has the technical skills and represents sophisticated clients." Another market insider stated, "he is a creative business planner who is strong on business succession and planning."

The *Chambers HNW* rankings are the result of in-depth research and interviews with hundreds of lawyers, family offices, accountancy professionals, tax advisors, bankers, investment managers, and high-end real estate agents to get a comprehensive understanding of the private wealth sector in key jurisdictions. To learn more about the guide, click here.

Resources:

Photos: Culler Evans Gariepy

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<u>Hahn Loeser</u> provides the full spectrum of legal services in one firm. With six offices and more than 100 attorneys, we represent Fortune 500 corporations, privately-held businesses, non-profit institutions, governmental entities and individuals across the country and around the world. Our attorneys have been recognized for their commitment to client service and their dedication to providing our clients with strategic solutions that help them attain their business objectives and achieve results.

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