

AREA ATTORNEYS AGAIN RECOGNIZED FOR EXCELLENCE

Eau Claire - Four members of the Weld, Riley, Prenn & Ricci law firm were recently named Wisconsin Super Lawyers by Law & Politics and Milwaukee Magazine. Super Lawyers are recognized experts in their respective fields of practice. Weld, Riley, Prenn & Ricci's Super Lawyers are Tom Misfeldt and Tom Graham in personal injury defense; Kathy Prenn and Steve Weld in employment and labor law. This is the fourth consecutive year in which Misfeldt, Prenn and Weld have received this statewide recognition.

In addition, five Weld, Riley, Prenn & Ricci attorneys were identified as "Rising Stars." Rising Stars are defined as lawyers, 40 and under, who have made significant contributions to the practice of law. Weld, Riley, Prenn & Ricci's Rising Stars are John Behling in administrative law; Pamela Macal and Andrea Voelker in employment and labor law; Bill Spangler in business and corporate law; and Tanya Bruder in personal injury defense. This is the third consecutive year Behling has been recognized as a "Rising Star" and the second consecutive year for Macal and Spangler.

The Wisconsin Super Lawyers selection process starts with 11,000 ballots being mailed to Wisconsin lawyers who have been in practice for five years or more. Lawyers are asked to nominate the best lawyers they have personally observed. They are also asked to nominate the best up and coming lawyers. Lawyers are not allowed to vote for themselves and votes for attorneys in the lawyer's own firm count less than outside firm votes. The nominees are then reviewed by the Law & Politics Research Department. Finally, the lawyers with the highest point totals are asked to serve on a blue ribbon panel to evaluate others in their practice area.

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