

## Bar Briefs

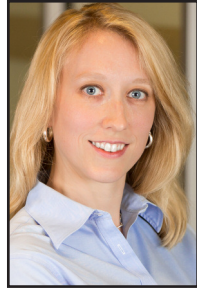
### People on the Move



**Cecilia R. Dickson**



**Jesse A. Hirshman**



**Lara Northrop Queen**



**Thomas C. Wolski**

Attorneys **Cecilia R. Dickson**, **Jesse A. Hirshman**, **Lara Northrop Queen** and **Thomas C. Wolski** have been promoted to directors in The Web Law Firm. Dickson is a litigator with first-chair experience in patent, trademark, trade secret, covenant not to compete, copyright and licensing disputes. In addition, she handles trademark counseling and development of brand strategies, prosecution, licensing, enforcement and international portfolio management. Hirshman is an intellectual property attorney with substantial experience in the biotechnology, pharmaceutical and chemical fields. His practice focuses on securing and protecting intellectual property rights, including all phases of domestic and international patent prosecution, and patent counseling. Queen is an intellectual property attorney with significant experience in medical-device technologies, drug-delivery and implant technologies and consumer goods. Her practice focuses primarily on strategic patent prosecution, intellectual property due diligence, licensing and opinion counseling. Wolski focuses on intellectual property and represents clients in disputes and transactions. He also prosecutes patents for clients in the life sciences sector.



**Ryan J. Miller**



**Christian D. Ehret**



**Neil J. Friedrich**



**Brian J. Jackson**



**Justin P. Martinchek**

Attorneys **Ryan J. Miller**, **Christian D. Ehret**, **Neil J. Friedrich**, **Brian J. Jackson** and **Justin P. Martinchek** have been promoted in The Webb Law Firm. Miller has been promoted to senior shareholder; Ehret, Friedrich, Jackson and Martinchek have become senior associates. Miller is an intellectual property attorney with a background in electrical engineering. He has significant expertise in medical-device technologies and has experience in all phases of patent prosecution and post-grant procedures. Ehret is an intellectual property attorney with a background in software and web development. His practice includes patent, copyright and trademark matters – including prosecution, litigation and consultation. Friedrich's practice focuses on patent and trademark prosecution in the biomedical and biomaterials

fields. Jackson is an intellectual property attorney with a background in the life sciences and experience in the fields of biology, biochemical techniques, neuroscience and neurology. Martinchek is an intellectual property attorney with a background in chemistry and pharmaceuticals.

**John E. Lienert** has opened The Lienert Law Firm. His practice will focus on the representation of individuals in the areas of personal injury, vehicle crashes, premises liability, products liability and child-abuse claims. Lienert also will offer focus group services to the legal community.

Houston Harbaugh announced the election of its three-member executive committee and officers. **John M. Hartzell Jr.**, **Samuel H. Simon** and **Alex W. Thomson** will serve on the committee. Officers include Thomson, president; Hartzell, treasurer; and **Heidi Rai Stewart**, secretary. The executive committee is responsible for the overall management of the firm, and officers are elected annually by the firm's directors. Hartzell, who concentrates his practice in the areas of estate planning and estate and trust administration, chairs the firm's estates and trusts practice. He uses his knowledge of tax law for businesses and individuals in preparing estate and gift tax plans and works with business owners on their succession-planning matters. Simon concentrates his practice on commercial/business litigation and chairs the firm's litigation practice. He regularly represents clients in the construction, manufacturing, oil and gas and wholesale/retail/distribution industries, as well as individuals in matters such as breach of contract disputes, negligence, restrictive covenants, civil rights, construction litigation and environmental litigation.

Thomson concentrates his practice in the area of business law and chairs the firm's business law practice. He represents a range of business clients from startups to publicly traded companies in a diverse set of industries, and he has counseled clients in corporate transactions such as sales, acquisitions, mergers, joint ventures and strategic alliances. Stewart concentrates her practice in the area of estate planning and estate and trust administration. Her work extends to special-needs planning and long-term care planning, including elder law. She also represents clients in Orphans' Court matters such as will contests, guardianships and actions relating to undue influence and breaches of fiduciary duty.

### Change in Status

By order of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, attorney **Mark B. Peduto** has been suspended on consent from the practice of law in Bar of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for a period of three years retroactive to July 16, 2015. The suspension took effect on Feb. 24.

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