



MANNING KASS ELEVATES NATIONAL PRESENCE WITH NEW PHOENIX MANAGING PARTNER, ECHO A. REYNOLDS

PHOENIX, Dec. 2, 2024 – Manning Kass, a premier full-service national law firm, is proud to announce Echo A. Reynolds as the new Managing Partner of its Phoenix office. This transition marks a key step in the firm’s strategic expansion, building on recent additions throughout the firm’s offices. With these advancements, Manning Kass continues to solidify its reputation as a nationwide leader in insurance fraud defense.

A second-generation Phoenician and two-time Arizona State University graduate, Reynolds is deeply rooted in the Phoenix community. She currently serves as Vice Chair – and incoming Chair – of the Epilepsy Foundation Arizona Advisory Board and Judge Pro Tempore for the Maricopa County Superior Court. Renowned for her work in insurance coverage, bad faith disputes, catastrophic injury, and complex commercial litigation, Reynolds joins the ranks of award-winning attorneys at Manning Kass. Her expertise has been recognized by Best Lawyers “Ones to Watch” for four consecutive years.

Reynolds outlined her vision for the Arizona office, highlighting her role in advancing Manning Kass’ insurance defense practice: “The primary goal, both short- and long-term, is delivering high-quality legal service to our current clients, while maintaining and strengthening those relationships. Equally important is expanding our reach – networking, connecting with clients of the firm who haven’t yet worked with our Phoenix office, and leveraging Manning Kass’ national reach to provide my long-time clients expanded services across California, Texas, and New York.”

Firm Managing Partner Dennis B. Kass shared his enthusiasm for Reynolds’ appointment: “We could not be more excited to have Echo join the firm and lead our Phoenix office. Besides being a genuinely great person, Echo brings years of litigation and leadership experience to our firm. Her reputation, energy, and skills will help grow the Phoenix office and provide high quality representation to our clients.”

Beyond insurance fraud defense, Reynolds is committed to broader growth for the Phoenix office, including attracting top legal talent, building dynamic teams, and expanding practice areas. Central to her strategy is fostering the signature Manning Kass culture – a collaborative and innovative environment where attorneys can excel professionally while contributing to the office’s overall growth.

“The sky is the limit,” Reynolds said. “This is an opportunity for attorneys to connect with new clients, grow their book of business, develop their own practice areas, and break out of the service-partner mold. I think it’s going to be important for us to foster that growth.”

Reflecting on her own professional journey, Reynolds highlighted the unique platform Manning Kass provides: “Opportunities like these are rare. Most often they come when attorneys branch out on their own, hang their own shingle, and start their own firm. It’s exciting to have everything that Manning Kass brings to the table – unparalleled resources, a stellar reputation, and a national presence – coupled with the chance to lead, build, and develop the Phoenix office into something extraordinary.”

With Echo A. Reynolds at the helm of the Phoenix office, Manning Kass is poised to build on its legacy of excellence, setting new standards in combating insurance fraud while driving innovation and growth across its offices.

About Manning Kass:

Manning Kass, established in 1994, has evolved from a team of 16 attorneys to a premier full-service national law firm, now boasting over 150 attorneys across 39 specialized practice areas. Manning Kass has established a reputation for its decades of groundbreaking legal accomplishments, indexed as a top firm amongst such esteemed publications as the *Los Angeles Business Journal*, *National Law Journal*, *Law360*, and *Los Angeles Times*. Additionally, the firm's deep commitment to fostering a culture of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) has earned it widespread recognition and accolades. For three consecutive years, *Law360*'s Diversity Snapshot has placed Manning Kass in the top ten for diversity, and in 2023, the firm was honored with the Aspire Diversity Award by Lawyers of Color, acknowledging the firm's outstanding diversity numbers and policies. This commitment to excellence, combined with its dedication to diversity and inclusion, uniquely positions the firm to meet the challenges of the modern legal environment, while continuing to set influential precedents and contribute to shaping the nation's legal landscape. For more information about Manning Kass and its services, please visit www.manningkass.com.

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