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Over the past 25 years, Ms. Brevetti has built a highly respected and successful white-collar criminal defense and business litigation practice. She is a superbly skilled, tenacious, and zealous advocate for her clients, and has been recognized by her peers as one of Manhattan’s Super Lawyers and a preeminent-rated lawyer in her specialties. Ms. Brevetti has experience as a General Counsel and Corporate Secretary of a NYSE-listed company, managing attorneys, supervising litigations and major outside law firms, conducting internal investigations, advising the Board, and responding to government and SRO regulatory inquiries.

She now regularly represents individual and corporate clients in investigations and at trial and arbitration; conducts complex internal corporate investigations of allegations of fraud, bribery, and violations of employment and corporate policy; advises companies on matters of governance, compliance, and crisis management; and defends individuals and financial entities facing government and SRO enforcement investigations and actions in securities and other areas.

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Ms. Chappell is highly regarded by her peers. She is rated AV Preeminent® by Martindale-Hubbell, and has been included in The Best Lawyers in America in Commercial Litigation.

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**Mary E. Vandenack**

Mary E. Vandenack is founding and managing partner of Vandenack Weaver LLC, a boutique tax, business, trusts and estates, real estate, and asset protection planning firm in Omaha, Nebraska. Mary founded the firm in 2005 with a vision for improving the delivery of legal services by embracing innovation and technology.

Vandenack’s areas of expertise include tax law, real estate, high net worth estate planning, asset protection planning, business succession planning, and tax-exempt entities. Mary regularly writes and speaks on issues related to her practice areas and on practice management issues.

Mary is a commentator for Leimberg Services, a prestigious publication covering taxes, business succession, asset protection, and non-profits. Mary recently acted as an editor for a Leimberg publication, *The Tools & Techniques of Trust Planning*.

Mary’s efforts as a legal innovator and technologist were recognized with the 2015 James I. Keane Memorial Award, for excellence in e-lawyering. Mary has also been appointed to the College of Law Practice Management.

Mary has been active in the national bar, serving the Law Practice Division as an Executive Council Member and as Features Editor for the Law Practice Magazine. Mary writes a leadership column for Law Practice Magazine. Mary served on the American Bar Association Futures Commission and currently acts as co-chair of the Futures Task Force for the Real Property, Trusts & Estates Section of the ABA. Mary is also a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation.

As well as being active in the national bar, Mary is active in the local community. She has served on the boards of many non-profits. She recently received an award for partnership from the Nebraska Cancer Coalition.

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**Julie Quinn**

Former State Senator Julie Quinn doesn’t just know the law, she helped write it. As a freshman senator, Julie was tapped as the first woman to chair the esteemed Senate Judiciary Committee, and served on the Louisiana Supreme Court’s Judicial Council and the Louisiana Law Institute. Using her “big firm” experience, business knowledge, and public service, Julie founded the boutique firm Quinn Alsterberg specializing in business law and government relations. Quinn Alsterberg maintains a diverse roster of corporate clients from multinational transportation companies to gulf coast shrimpers. Highly regarded as a problem solver, Julie is rated AV-Preeminent by her peers and the judiciary for ethics and legal knowledge, and was recognized as one of the top zoning and permitting lawyers in the country. Julie negotiates deals and corporate growth, drafts complex transactional agreements, manages buyouts and “business divorces,” navigates regulatory compliance and resolves violations, skillfully engages in government relations, and effectively manages a commercial litigation practice. Partner Justin Alsterberg specializes in complex litigation, masterfully managing a courtroom, juries and trials, and manages the firm’s complex litigation process, and is known as one of the areas top construction law attorneys. With associate James King who specializes in employment and labor law, the firm offers a full suite of legal services for business needs “from the boardroom to the courtroom”.

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In his more than 20 years with the firm, Teter has litigated cases involving smartphones, computers, video games and e-commerce. In a case brought in the U.S. International Trade Commission in 2011, for instance, Teter and his Cooley colleagues successfully defended Nintendo Co. Ltd. against claims that its Wii gaming console infringed a smaller company’s patents.

A background in the technology industry and his experience as an engineer at Lockheed Missiles and SpaceCo. will be “valuable assets [the company] will benefit from,” Jen-Hsun Huang, founder and chief executive officer of Nvidia, said in announcing Teter’s appointment.

Nvidia, best known for its computer graphics cards and software, recently took on Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd. to protect its intellectual property. The September 2014 complaints, filed with the ITC and in U.S. District Court of the District of Delaware, accused Samsung of infringing Nvidia’s patents. The two companies settled, but not before Nvidia revealed the size of its patent portfolio. At the time the complaints were filed it had roughly 7,000 patent assets backed by more than $9 billion in research and development.

—J.W.-A.

A SHIFT IN DUTIES AT BRG
Berkeley Research Group has named ERIC MILLER as its general counsel. He joined the Northern California management consulting firm in August 2015 as senior vice president of strategic initiatives and risk management. In his previous role, he supervised the legal and risk management aspects of international expansion activities. He also oversaw the firm’s insurance programs and internal restructure, according to an announcement from the company.

“My goal as BRG’s general counsel is to build on the solid foundation we have in place, address legal and risk management matters in a principled but pragmatic way and serve as a trusted adviser to our key stakeholders,” Miller said in a press release.

He succeeds Marvin Tenenbaum, who remains with BRG as senior vice president and special adviser to the chairman. Tenenbaum became the company’s first general counsel in 2010.

Before joining BRG, Miller was the general counsel and chief risk officer of FTI Consulting Inc. from 2006 to 2015. Before going in-house, he was an attorney with DLA Piper in Baltimore from 1995 to 2006 and returned to the firm for a brief stint in 2015.

—STEPHANIE FORSHEE

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STEPHANIE RESNICK
A partner and seasoned trial lawyer at Fox Rothschild LLP, Stephanie Resnick is consistently ranked among top business litigators and lauded by her colleagues and peers for her strategic handling of high-stakes, complex business disputes in both federal and state courts. She has served as lead counsel in numerous high-profile litigation matters.

Stephanie is Chair of the firm’s Directors’ & Officers’ Liability & Corporate Governance Practice and is a member of Fox Rothschild’s Executive Committee. She chaired the firm-wide Litigation Department for seven years, overseeing more than 200 attorneys. In state and federal courts across the United States, she has earned a reputation for sound judgment and innovative problem solving. Corporate executives, Fortune 500 companies and family-owned businesses turn to Stephanie for solutions to their most difficult and sensitive personal and professional issues.

Throughout her career, Stephanie has received numerous accolades, including being named among the “Women Leaders in the Law” by American Lawyer Media; The National Law Journal’s list of Litigation Trailblazers; “The Best Lawyers in America” for Commercial Litigation; a “Litigation Star” in Pennsylvania and listed in the “Top 250 Female Litigators in America” by Benchmark Litigation: Guide to America’s Leading Litigation Firms and Attorneys; and listed among the “Top 50 Women Super Lawyers in Pennsylvania” and “Top 100 Lawyers in Pennsylvania” by Philadelphia Magazine and Law & Politics Magazine.