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IN OHIO

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Road Trip For Democracy

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JONATHAN LEIKEN Remembering Sept. 11

The rock star life of RICK SILK

MARATHON MAN

Joe Oldham's amazing journey

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HOW RISING STARS ARE SELECTED

Law & Politics performs the polling, research and selection of Rising Stars in a process designed to identify outstanding Ohio lawyers who have demonstrated superior professional potential.

Rising Stars is a comprehensive and diverse listing of outstanding, emerging attorneys in Ohio, representing a wide range of practice areas, firm sizes and geographic locations. Only attorneys age 40 and under, or who have been practicing 10 years or less, are named Ohio Rising Stars.

SURVEY OF SUPER LAWYERS

Each year Law & Politics sends a ballot to all Ohio Super Lawyers. The ballot asks Ohio Super Lawyers to nominate the best up-and-coming attorneys they've personally observed in action. The intent is to discourage votes based purely on reputation. Super Lawyers may nominate others in their firm, but only if they nominate an equal or greater number of attorneys from other firms.

Each vote a candidate receives carries a point total, with votes from lawyers outside the nominee's firm weighted greater than votes from within the firm.

Law & Politics monitors balloting for indications of manipulation, and eliminates such ballots from consideration.

THE RESEARCH PROCESS

Interviews and contacts: Throughout the selection process, Law & Politics meets and corresponds with law firms in Ohio to identify the top emerging lawyers in those firms.

Independent research: The Law & Politics attorney-led research team actively searches for outstanding new attorneys to complement the statewide survey of Super Lawyers. The research team evaluates prospective candidates for indicators of peer recognition and professional achievement as a supplement to the Super Lawyers balloting. Civic service and pro bono activities are also considered.

Data verification: Each candidate is contacted to verify the lawyer's professional information, including primary area of practice. Even if selected, a Rising Star candidate's name will not be published unless all information is verified prior to publication.

Good standing review: Law & Politics reviews the discipline record of each candidate and verifies that the lawyer is active and in good standing with the Attorney Registration Section of the Supreme Court of Ohio.

THE FINAL SELECTION PROCESS

Candidates are divided according to firm size and geographic location. Top candidates from each group are selected as Rising Stars.

In addition to attorneys in private practice, Rising Stars include prosecutors, in-house counsel, and public service lawyers.

Ohio Rising Stars are also listed in a special advertising section in the August 2005 issue of *Cincinnati Magazine*.



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· Plaintiffs PI: General

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· Class Action/Mass Torts

John Murphy is the Partner in Charge of Kelley & Ferraro's Personal Injury Litigation Practice. His practice is devoted exclusively to representing plaintiffs in serious personal injury and wrongful death cases. He and his firm also work in asbestos and silica litigation. Murphy has served as lead counsel in numerous personal injury and asbestos cases. In addition, he has been a prosecutor and currently serves as Magistrate in two municipalities. He is a member of the Ohio State Bar Association and the Cleveland Bar Association. Murphy earned his B.A. at Purdue University and his J.D. from the Thomas M. Cooley Law School in Lansing, Michigan.



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