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In Texas, 10 Husch Blackwell Attorneys Named 2015 *Super Lawyers/Rising Stars*

Ten Husch Blackwell attorneys in Texas have been named to the 2015 *Texas Super Lawyers* and *Rising Stars* list.

In Austin, Texas, the following Husch Blackwell attorneys were named 2015 Texas Super Lawyers: Elizabeth G. “Heidi” Bloch in Appellate law; David W. Hilgers in Health Care law; R. Keith Hopson in Environmental law; Hal Katz in Health Care law; Stephen W. Lemmon in Business Litigation law; Daniel R. Smith in Business Litigation law and Thomas H. Watkins in Business Litigation law.

In the firm’s Dallas, Texas office, Michael John Ramirez was selected as a 2015 *Texas Super Lawyer*. Chalon N. Clark was named a 2015 *Texas Rising Star* in Business Litigation law. Kevin Koronka was also named a *Texas Rising Star* in the area of Employment & Labor law.

Only up to 5 percent of attorneys in a state are named *Super Lawyers*. Selecting the attorneys involves an in-depth, measurable process. Peer nominations by seasoned attorneys followed by detailed evaluations are matched against third-party research. Each candidate is evaluated on 12 indicators of peer recognition and professional achievement. Selections are made on a state-by-state basis annually.

No more than 2.5 percent of attorneys in a state are named *Rising Stars*. The lawyers who make this list must be under 40 years old or have less than 10 years of legal experience. They go through the same selection process as *Super Lawyers*, excluding the peer evaluations.

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