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Susan Novosad Honored as a Top Women Lawyer in Leadership

CHICAGO – November 18, 2015 - Susan Novosad, Partner at Levin & Perconti in Chicago, was selected as a Top Women Lawyer in Leadership by the Women's Bar Association of Illinois for 2015. This prestigious award recognizes outstanding women lawyers in Illinois who serve in a leadership role, who have excelled in their legal field, and have gone beyond traditional mentoring to create new pathways for other women.

Susan began her career with Levin & Perconti over 20 years ago as the only female lawyer. Today, thanks to her leadership and strategic decisions, the firm has 25 attorneys, 12 of who are females. As the firm's Managing Partner, Susan plays an integral role in not only case work and management, but also developing and implementing the firm's organizational procedures, overseeing administrative staff, and performing all human resource functions. She is a patient teacher who uses her unmatched knowledge of the law to guide the associate attorneys.

In addition to playing a substantial role in the management of the firm, she handles a large and active trial caseload. She is responsible for over \$100 million in verdicts and settlement for her clients, including a \$6.7 million birth injury verdict, a \$3.5 million birth injury settlement, and a \$2.4 million verdict against the City of Chicago for an injured man. Susan was one of the first female lawyers in Illinois to represent injured victims and families in nursing home lawsuits.

Susan's success is highly regarded in Illinois. She was chosen for inclusion in *Chicago Magazine's* "Illinois: The Top 100 list", along with "Illinois: The Top 50 Women list." She has been named an *Illinois Super Lawyer* every year since 2005 and was selected by *Leading Lawyers Magazine* as one of the "Top 10 Women in Personal Injury" for 2015. She has also been named by her peers to *Illinois Leading Lawyers*, the Bar Register of Preeminent Women Lawyers by Martindale-Hubbell and is AV rated.

Susan is a member of the Women's Bar Association of Illinois and the American Association for Justice: Nursing Home Litigation Group. Susan continues to impact the community by sharing her legal knowledge and advice through lectures to law students, fellow attorneys and community organizations. She previously mentored students through the John Marshall Law School's Alumni Mentoring Program and has presented on topics to the Jewish community.

Impressively, Susan has accomplished all of this while raising 3 children with her husband of more than 30 years. Susan grew up in Evanston, IL and attended Evanston Township High School. She earned her

B.A. from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, and her Juris Doctorate, with distinction, from The John Marshall Law School in Chicago. She currently resides in Riverwoods with her family.

Levin & Perconti is a nationally-renowned Chicago law firm representing clients throughout Illinois in all types of personal injury, medical malpractice, and wrongful death litigation. The lawyers at Levin & Perconti are committed to protecting and vindicating the rights of people who are injured by the negligence of others. Please contact the firm at (312) 332-2872 or visit www.levinperconti.com for more information.

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