

Boutin Jones Inc. Announces the Election of Two New Shareholders

January 18, 2013. The Sacramento law firm of Boutin Jones Inc. is pleased to announce that Dennis Michaels and Bruce Timm have been made Shareholders. According to Robert D. Swanson, the firm's Managing Shareholder, "We are proud to announce the elevation of Dennis Michaels and Bruce Timm to Shareholder status. They are outstanding lawyers and even better individuals."

Dennis E. Michaels is a member of the firm's Corporate and Securities and Lender Support Practice Groups. Mr. Michaels works with a wide variety of large and small companies from startup through maturity. He represents and counsels companies, founders and investors on corporate formation, angel and venture capital financings, intellectual property matters, public and private securities offerings, mergers and acquisitions, public company reporting and general corporate and securities law matters. Mr. Michaels' corporate and mergers and acquisitions practice includes extensive experience across a wide range of industries including agribusiness, energy, financial institutions, healthcare, life sciences, medical devices, software, manufacturing, professional services, real estate development and retail.

Bruce M. Timm is a member of the firm's Employment Law and Litigation Practice Groups. Mr. Timm litigates employment law matters in state and federal courts on behalf of private and public entity employers. He has defended clients in matters involving claims of sexual harassment, discrimination (including disability, race, age and gender discrimination), wrongful termination, wage/hour violations, workplace retaliation (including whistleblower, workers' compensation and OSHA related retaliation) and disputes under the California Family Rights Act. Mr. Timm also has represented clients in connection with administrative claims before the Department of Fair Employment & Housing, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and the Public Employment Relations Board, and has provided general preventative advice to assist clients in avoiding litigation. Mr. Timm was recently sworn in as the 2013 President of the Sacramento County Bar Association.

Boutin Jones Inc. is a full-service business, real estate and litigation law firm committed to providing the highest quality legal expertise and exemplary service to its clients. Comprised of leading attorneys with diverse and distinguished backgrounds, Boutin Jones provides its services through eight key practice areas: corporate and securities, employment law, estate planning, probate and trust administration, insolvency and creditors' rights, lender support, litigation, real estate and tax. Boutin Jones' clients range from early stage, startup companies to publicly traded corporations and large public entities representing a wide range of industries including agriculture, banking, energy, construction, corporate finance, healthcare, marketing, real estate, retail and technology. Boutin Jones was named one of the "Best Law Firms" of 2012-2013 by U.S. News and World Report. In 2011, Boutin Jones was once again chosen as a finalist (and the only law firm) in the Sacramento Business Journal's A+ Employees' Choice Awards. Boutin Jones was also an A+ Employees' Choice finalist in 2007, 2008, and 2009.