

PRESS RELEASE: Jonathan B. Orleans Named Best Lawyers' 2012 Stamford Employment Law – Management Lawyer Of The Year

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BRIDGEPORT, Conn.: Jonathan B. Orleans, a member of Pullman & Comley, LLC, was named the “Stamford Best Lawyers Employment Law – Management Lawyer of the Year” for 2012, the law firm reported today.

After more than a quarter of a century in publication, Best Lawyers is designating “Lawyers of the Year” in high-profile legal specialties in large legal communities. Only a single lawyer in each specialty in each community is being honored as the “Lawyer of the Year.”

Jonathan B. Orleans is a business litigator with more than 25 years of experience in a broad range of cases, particularly employment litigation. He represents businesses and individuals in cases concerning non-competition and non-solicitation agreements, employment contracts, and claims of discrimination. He also handles cases arising under federal and state statutes, including ERISA, the Fair Labor Standards Act, the Connecticut Uniform Trade Secrets Act, and the Connecticut Unfair Trade Practices Act, and advises businesses on compliance with laws and regulations concerning employment. Jon has represented defendants in class action cases brought under the antitrust laws, securities laws, ERISA, and other statutes.. He has lectured to lawyers and businesspeople on topics including classification of employees under the FLSA, restrictive covenants in employment contracts, employment discrimination law, employer regulation of employees' speech and appearance, wage and hour laws, and mediation of employment claims. Before joining Pullman & Comley, Jon clerked for the Honorable M. Joseph Blumenfeld, Senior U.S. District Judge in Hartford, and practiced for 23 years with another prominent Connecticut firm.

Jon is a member of the Executive Committee of the Federal Practice Section of the Connecticut Bar Association, was appointed in 2007 by Connecticut's Chief Justice to the Civil Commission of the Connecticut Judicial Branch, a body charged with developing practices to improve the state courts' handling of civil cases. A resident of Fairfield, Connecticut, he is on the boards of directors of the American Civil Liberties Union of Connecticut, the Bridgeport Public Education Fund, the Connecticut Fair Housing Center and the Fairfield Theatre Company. In 2011-12, he is teaching Civil Procedure at the University of Connecticut School of Law.

Jon received his J.D., cum laude, from New York University School of Law; his M.P.A. from Princeton University, and his B. A. from Hampshire College.

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