

Maryland Lawyers in the News
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Adelberg, Rudow, Dorf and Hendler LLC announced the selection of eight of its attorneys as Maryland Super Lawyers. This selection, showcased in a recent issue of Baltimore magazine, will also be published in the 2008 edition of Super Lawyer -- a national publication that analyzes and selects leading attorneys. Adelberg, Rudow, Dorf and Hendler attorneys selected as Maryland Super Lawyers include: David B. Applefeld, construction litigation; Paul A. Dorf, alternative dispute resolution; Michael G. Hendler, family law; Brian S. Jablon, business litigation; F. Kirk Kolodner, family law; Marc B. Noren, family law; Andrew Radding, criminal defense: white collar; and David B. Rudow, business/corporate. The firm has attorneys practicing in a broad spectrum of arbitration and mediation, banking, bankruptcy and creditors' rights, business law, commercial and civil litigation, commercial finance, commercial real estate, construction law, family law, governmental relations, health care law, intellectual property, personal and corporate taxes, personal injury, white-collar criminal defense, and wills, estates and trusts. Adelberg, Rudow, Dorf & Hendler serves corporate, individual, nonprofit, governmental and institutional clients in Maryland and nationwide.

Andrew M. Dansicker Esq. has announced the opening of his new legal practice, the Law Office of Andrew M. Dansicker LLC, in Towson. The firm will provide legal services focusing on plaintiffs' employment law, including job discrimination, sexual harassment, wage and overtime law, non-compete agreements, breach of contract, wrongful termination, and Family and Medical Leave Act matters. The firm will also counsel and represent small businesses facing employment issues and litigation.

Deborah Gardner has been appointed chief financial officer for Maryland Legal Aid and head of the 97-year-old nonprofit's budget and finance unit. Gardner, a 25-year veteran of Legal Aid, joined the law firm in 1983 as a senior accountant and in 1995 was promoted to comptroller. She was certified as a public accountant in 1986. Prior to joining Legal Aid, Gardner worked as an accounting supervisor for Provident Bank from 1976 to 1983 and also served as a trust accountant with Colonial American National Bank in Virginia. As CFO, she will oversee Legal Aid's internal accounting and all financial activities including payroll, purchasing, and accounts payable. In addition, Gardner will direct the preparation of programmatic and organization-wide budgets and assist in the development of policies and procedures related to Legal Aid's financial operations. Maryland Legal Aid, founded in 1911, is the largest provider of civil legal help to low-income people in Maryland. With 12 offices throughout the state staffed by more than 140 lawyers, last year Legal Aid helped more than 50,000 low-income people and the elderly with their critical legal needs.

DLA Piper announced that 69 lawyers have been promoted to its partnership for 2008. Across Europe and Asia there are 41 newly elected partners, with another 28 in the U.S. In addition to the new partners, 29 lawyers at DLA Piper have been promoted to legal director and 145 to its associateship. The promotions, effective from the first of the year, were made across all key practice areas throughout DLA Piper's global network of 64 offices. Of the 28 promotions in the U.S., six were in Washington, D.C., five in San Diego and Chicago, and four in East Palo Alto (Silicon Valley). The remaining eight promotions were in Austin, Baltimore, Los Angeles, New York and Tampa. Fifteen of the 28 new U.S. partners are women. Demonstrating the firm's commitment to working mothers, two of the new women partners were on maternity leave during the past year and a total of five have worked on a part-time or flex-time schedule in the past few years.

The law firm of Gordon, Feinblatt, Rothman, Hoffberger & Hollander LLC has added a real estate workouts and restructuring group to its broad complement of legal services for businesses. Headed by Lawrence D. Coppel, the group will focus on providing legal counsel to real estate lenders or to commercial and residential developers and builders whose loans have been impacted by the changing economic and financial climate in these industries. The group will be comprised of eight highly experienced lawyers from the firm's bankruptcy and real estate practices with experience in loan workouts, bankruptcy, real estate development and financing. These eight lawyers have more than 185 years of combined experience in legal representation related to real estate transactions, workouts and insolvency matters. Gordon, Feinblatt is a 70-lawyer, full-service law firm located in the historic Garrett Building in downtown Baltimore.