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Chapman Partner Kelley Bender Named to Illinois' 40 Under Forty List

Press Release

KELLEY BENDER, A PARTNER IN CHAPMAN'S PRIVATE EQUITY AND HEDGE FUND GROUP, WAS RECOGNIZED BY THE LAW BULLETIN PUBLISHING COMPANY AS ONE OF THE BEST YOUNG LAWYERS IN ILLINOIS.

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CHICAGO — Chapman and Cutler LLP partner Kelley Bender has been named to the Law Bulletin Publishing Company's "40 Illinois Attorneys Under 40 to Watch" 2015 roster. More than 1,000 nominations were received for consideration for the 2015 list.

Kelley focuses her practice on private equity and hedge fund matters, primarily representing institutional investors with respect to their investments in private investment funds. She also works with the firm's investment company group on matters of fund formation and fund management. Across her varied practice, Kelley consistently demonstrates her outstanding knowledge and superior client service.

"Kelley is very deserving of the recognition and the whole Chapman family is proud of her many accomplishments," said Chapman partner Steve Frost, who works closely with Kelley. "Kelley's commitment to her clients and deep industry knowledge have established a foundation for a distinguished and exceptional career."

Kelley received her undergraduate degree from Augustana College in 2000 and her law degree from Loyola University Chicago School of Law in 2005, both *cum laude*. She joined Chapman in 2005 after law school. She has been an active member of the firm's employment committee, serves as a mentor to associates, and is a recipient of Chapman's annual pro bono award. Kelley is leading a new program for Chapman — the Finance Law Development Program — an innovative two-year curriculum for college graduates interested in law and finance.

"Kelley's contributions have been extraordinary," noted Tim Mohan, Chapman's Chief Executive Partner. "She is a role model for our attorneys and a trusted advisor to our clients. We are very pleased the Law Bulletin has given her this well-deserved honor."

Kelley is the sixth Chapman lawyer to be honored with this recognition: Rebecca Wallenfelsz (partner, Trusts and Estates) was named in 2011; Mark Rasmussen (partner, Special Litigation) in 2007; Larry White (partner, Illinois Public Finance) in 2005; Morrison Warren (partner, Corporate & Securities) in 2003; and Erin Bartholomy (partner, Illinois Public Finance) in 2002.

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