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### **Fennemore's Growth Streak Continues Unabated**

*Leading American West Law Firm Adds More Attorneys & Makes Strategic Promotions*

**PHOENIX, AZ** – Fennemore, 2021's fastest-growing BigLaw firm in the country according to Law.com, announced today the hiring of seven new attorneys. The firm also announced the promotion of two associate attorneys to the director level.

In **Arizona**, the firm's shareholders recently elected two new directors: [Jennifer Clyde](#) and Brian [Heiserman](#). Both attorneys work out of Fennemore's Phoenix office, and their promotions will become effective in 2022.

Clyde is a business litigator whose practice focuses on complex litigation of contract and tort claims for both plaintiffs and defendants. Often working on legal malpractice matters involving the "case within the case," Clyde is adept at handling intricate issues of causation, damages, and attorney-client privilege.

Heiserman focuses his practice in commercial litigation where he has represented a financial institution in a complex case against a software vendor, where the matter settled favorably. Heiserman also works in water law, and represents clients in their claims to water rights.

"I am so proud and happy for Jennifer and Brian," noted Fennemore's CEO, [James Goodnow](#). "Both are exceptional lawyers and people, and the firm is lucky to have them in their new roles."

Fennemore's Phoenix office also welcomed five new attorneys: [Brandon Blakely](#), [Shane Parker](#), [Daniel Restrepo](#), [Jason Thomas](#) and [Dylan Wilson](#).

Blakely's work focuses on drafting complex estate plans and fiduciary documents, preparing trust and probate petitions and developing strategies for fiduciary litigation, as well as completing gift and estate tax filings and trusts accountings.

Parker's work focuses on transactional work, providing comprehensive counsel to corporations, small businesses, non-profit organizations, and individuals in matters including drafting and negotiating a wide range of transactional documents for the sales of products, services, assets, and membership interests.

Restrepo's work focuses on a wide array of business services for our clients, including counseling, agreements and transactions where he conducts legal research, analyzes trends in case law, and writes memoranda on projects involving attorney-client privilege, title policy exclusions, digital trademark liability, and indemnification provisions.

Thomas' practice focuses on general commercial litigation, construction and real estate law, and probate litigation. Thomas also works on a broad range of intellectual property matters, including copyright protection, patents and trademarks.

Wilson's practice focuses on estate planning and tax law matters, including working with clients on estate planning portfolios and implementing changes to their will and trust documents, serving as a witness to will signings, drafting trust amendments, and creating operating agreements such as living trust agreements, declarations and certifications of trust, and last wills and testaments.

"2021 has been one of Fennemore's most successful years. I am happy to welcome Brandon, Shane, Danny, Jason and Dylan to our rapidly-growing team here in Phoenix," remarked [Stacie Smith](#), Office Managing Partner of Fennemore's Phoenix office. "These young attorneys are important to the firm's future and continued growth."

In **California**, Fennemore welcomed two new directors to its Fresno office, [Derek Hoffman](#) and [Jackson Waste](#).

Hoffman has represented clients in some of the largest and most complex groundwater basin adjudications in California, including the Antelope Valley, Mojave Basin Area, and the Indian Wells Valley. Hoffman's practice includes guiding clients through the implementation of California's Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA), and other state and federal natural resources laws. Hoffman assists clients in developing and implementing effective strategies to obtain, maintain, protect and transfer water rights and supplies.

Waste has served as lead counsel in numerous complex, high-value cases across California. His broad-based litigation and financial restructuring practice operates at the intersection of law and finance, where he utilizes his knowledge

of legal remedies and financial concepts to craft efficient and effective enforcement strategies for lenders and other creditors.

“We are so proud and happy to welcome Derek and Jackson to our firm,” commented [Leigh Burnside](#), Fennemore Dowling Aaron’s Fresno Office Managing Partner. “Both of these attorneys are promising leaders in their respective practice areas, and our clients will benefit from their expertise as we continue to grow and thrive,” added Burnside.

### **About Fennemore.**

Founded in 1885, Fennemore is an NLJ250 law firm that helps businesses thrive. Whether launching start-ups with its venture accelerator, leading high-stakes mergers and acquisitions for Fortune 500 companies, or handling bet-the-company litigation for growth-phase enterprises, Fennemore has the back of business. You can learn more about the firm and its offices in Arizona, California, Colorado, and Nevada at [FennemoreLaw.com](http://FennemoreLaw.com).