

Pashman Stein and Walder Hayden Join Forces Bringing Together Two of the State's Leading Litigation Firms

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Pashman Stein P.C. announces a merger with Roseland-based, Walder Hayden P.A., expanding both the depth and breadth of its practice offerings and providing clients with the deepest bench in the region for high stakes civil and criminal litigation. The combined firm of 45 lawyers will be based out of Pashman Stein's offices in Hackensack. Pashman Stein's current Managing Partner, Michael Stein will lead the new firm.

Walder Hayden, led by two of the State's most accomplished and well respected trial attorneys, Justin Walder and Joe Hayden, is recognized as among the region's top firms in the areas of white collar criminal defense, legal ethics and appellate litigation. Pashman Stein, one of New Jersey's premiere litigation and appellate boutiques, has historically been ranked among the best in the state by definitive legal directories such as *Chambers USA*, *Best Law Firms* and *Benchmark Litigation*.

The combined firm has a deep bench of lawyers that includes retired New Jersey State Supreme Court Justice, Gary S. Stein, former deputy attorneys general, assistant US attorneys, prosecutors, and seasoned lawyers with active and leading roles in many of the region's prominent civic and legal organizations and institutions. They are joined by a team of young lawyers who honed their skills at some of the most well respected litigation firms in the nation.

"This is about being the best for our clients," notes Joe Hayden. "As in any good merger, the whole is greater than the sum of its parts."

Michael Stein agrees. "With Justin and Joe leading our litigation group, we will be stronger than ever. Together we form an extraordinary team of experienced, creative, energetic and pragmatic problem solvers. The bright legacies of our two firms will facilitate our continued efforts to attract the best and brightest talent the region has to offer and will forge an even brighter future for our clients."