

News

Chapman Spingola Accelerates its Growth by Adding Three Litigators

CHICAGO — Chapman Spingola LLP is proud to announce the addition of three trial lawyers to the firm: Stephanie R. Dykeman, Molly S. DiRago and Shannon T. Smith.

"We think it speaks volumes about who we are and what we are trying to accomplish that exceptional lawyers, like Stephanie and Molly, who have experience at fine firms, joined our litigation team at Chapman Spingola," says Bob Chapman.

"We are also gratified that Shannon, a talented law school graduate with unlimited practice options, chose to work at our firm," adds Peter Spingola.

Prior to joining Chapman Spingola, **Stephanie R. Dykeman**, was an associate at Winston & Strawn LLP. She specializes in complex commercial litigation and has represented clients in all aspects of litigation including contract law, class actions, fraud, false claims act, product liability, advertising, real estate and appeals.

Stephanie received her J.D. from the University of California, Berkeley, School of Law (Boalt Hall). While attending Berkeley, she was a member of the Berkeley Journal of International Law and a teaching assistant for Legal Research and Writing. She also held a position on the Moot Court Executive Board and won the Advocacy Award for Outstanding Moot Court Presentation.

Molly S. DiRago was a litigation attorney at Novack and Macey LLP, prior to joining Chapman Spingola. She specializes in complex commercial litigation, including partnership disputes, fraud, RICO, intellectual property and breach of contract.

Molly received her J.D. from the University of California, Berkeley, School of Law (Boalt Hall) where she was a teaching assistant for Legal Research and Writing and received the Prosser Award for Feminist Jurisprudence.

Shannon T. Smith is a recent graduate of Chicago-Kent College of Law, *cum laude*, where she was a teaching assistant for Professor Robert Knowles (Legal Writing) and Professor Dan Tarlock (Property). Shannon was a member of Chicago-Kent's Moot Court Honor Society and received the CALI Award for the highest grade in First Amendment Law.

Shannon focuses her practice in the area of complex commercial litigation and has experience in discovery and motion practice, including extensive knowledge and experience involving electronic discovery.