

John Berlinski, Gary Lincenberg, and Ekwan Rhow Named Top Attorneys by Forbes

Bird Marella partners John Berlinski, Gary Lincenberg, and Ekwan Rhow have been named to this year's <u>America's Top Lawyers list by Forbes</u>. The national recognition is earned by fewer than 0.02% of active U.S. attorneys, recognizing leadership, track record of success, and peer respect.

Mr. Berlinski is regarded as one of Hollywood's best lawyers, focusing his practice on representing top actors, producers, directors, talent agencies, guilds, independent studios, casinos, resorts, and recording artists in their most significant disputes. He currently represents Brad Pitt and his company in highly publicized multi-jurisdictional lawsuits against Angelina Jolie and others concerning the parties' interests in Château Miraval, the prominent French winery. He also successfully represented Scarlett Johansson in her dispute against OpenAl and its CEO, Sam Altman, in addition to her groundbreaking 2019 lawsuit involving her film *Black Widow*.

Mr. Lincenberg boasts an unparalleled record of trial success in white collar defense and government investigations. Most recently, he and his trial team won an acquittal on all counts for the former Vice President of Finance of HP/Autonomy Corporation after a three-month jury trial. The case is considered one of the largest fraud trials ever brought by the U.S. Department of Justice and earned Mr. Lincenberg widespread acclaim from <u>Law360</u>, <u>Daily Journal</u>, <u>Benchmark Litigation</u>, <u>Global Investigations Review</u>, and the <u>California Legal Awards</u>.

Mr. Rhow is among the country's most prolific trial lawyers, known for his impressive success at the forefront of cutting-edge, high-stakes litigation and class actions, consistently achieving significant victories for industry-leading companies and influential figures. He is spearheading a series of cutting-edge class actions in federal district courts around the country that attack the data privacy policies and interception of private data by companies such as Microsoft, Capital One, Blue Shield, and TikTok that seek over \$100 billion in damages. He recently secured a \$164 million verdict against multilevel marketing conglomerate LuLaRoe and related defendants, which earned recognition as one of the *Daily Journal's* Top Verdicts of 2024.