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Van Ness Feldman Receives Top Recognition in Chambers USA 2016 Rankings

Washington, D.C. and Seattle – Once again, Van Ness Feldman received high praise in the newly released *Chambers USA* 2016 rankings, including continued national rankings for all of the firm's major practice areas. In addition, the firm received inaugural rankings for Partner <u>Ed Gehres</u>, Native American Law - Nationwide; and Partner <u>Susan Shyne</u>, Real Estate – Washington State.

Van Ness Feldman received top rankings in the Electricity, Oil & Gas, Government Relations, Environmental, Native American, Transportation, Real Estate, and Land Use and Zoning practice areas. *Chambers USA* named 19 Van Ness Feldman attorneys as "Leaders in Their Field."

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Van Ness Feldman's Practice Area rankings include:

- <u>Climate Change</u> National
- <u>Energy: Electricity</u> National
- Energy: Oil & Gas National
- <u>Environment</u> National
- <u>Government: Government Relations</u> National
- <u>Native American Law</u> National
- <u>Transportation: Rail (for Shippers)</u> National
- <u>Environment</u> Washington, DC
- <u>Environment</u> Washington State
- <u>Real Estate</u> Washington State
- Real Estate: Zoning/Land Use Washington State

Van Ness Feldman lawyers recognized include:

- <u>Lawrence Acker</u> Energy: Electricity, Oil and Gas
- <u>Gary Bachman</u> Energy: Electricity
- <u>Brent Carson</u> Real Estate: Land Use and Zoning
- <u>Kyle Danish</u> Climate Change, Environment
- Jay Derr Real Estate: Land Use and Zoning
- <u>Stephen Fotis</u> Climate Change
- <u>Ed Gehres</u> Native American Law
- Joel Gordon Real Estate
- <u>Paul Korman</u> Energy: Oil & Gas
- <u>Matthew Love</u> Environment
- <u>Michael McBride</u> Transportation

- Peg Moore Energy: Electricity
- <u>Bob Nordhaus</u> Energy: Electricity
- Brian O'Neill Energy: Oil and Gas
- <u>Marlys Palumbo</u> Environment
- <u>Dick Penna</u> Environment
- <u>Susan Shyne</u> Real Estate
- <u>Doug Smith</u> Energy: Electricity
- <u>Bob Szabo</u> Transportation

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