

## Texas Rising Stars Recognize 17 Attorneys From Gardere Wynne Sewell

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DALLAS/HOUSTON – Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP is proud to announce that a total of 17 attorneys from its Dallas and Houston offices have been selected to the 2008 listing of Texas Rising Stars.

Gardere partners Michael P. Cooley, William D. Dunn, Barry M. Golden, Colin G. Martin, Alejandro Ortiz, John W. Slates and Celeste Yeager of Dallas earned selections, along with Houston partners Alan C. Buckner and Merritt B. Chastain III.

Also named to the 2008 Rising Stars list are firm associates Christopher G. Converse, Michael S. Haynes, Marcus A. Helt and Eric C. Lugger of Dallas, as well as Amy C. Dinn, Latosha T. Lewis, Peter Scaff and Samantha Trahan of Houston.

“We’re a full-service law firm, so it is important for us to have top lawyers in every area we handle,” says Gardere Managing Partner Steve Good. “When you look at this list and see Gardere attorneys handling business transactions and litigation, bankruptcy, international law, environmental litigation, employment disputes and so on, it’s easy to understand why I believe our young lawyers are among the very best in Texas.”

The full Rising Stars list appears in both the April 2008 issue of Texas Monthly and Texas Rising Stars 2008, published by Law & Politics Media Inc.

Houston associate Amy Dinn is featured in a Texas Rising Stars 2008 profile that explores her diverse interests away from her legal practice. Ms. Dinn is active in the Houston Roller Derby league and is a member of Houston Greeters and the Bobbindoctrin Puppet Theatre.

Rising Stars are the top up-and-coming Texas attorneys who are 40 or younger or have been in practice for fewer than 10 years. Rising Stars are selected based on nominations by members of the elite Texas Super Lawyers list. Only 2.5 percent of Texas attorneys were chosen for this honor.

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