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Chris Kratovil Named Dykema's National Recruiting Partner

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Dykema, a leading national law firm, today announced that Christopher D. Kratovil has been appointed as the firm's National Recruiting Partner. Kratovil, who has served as Managing Member of Dykema's Dallas office for the past five years, has a proven track record of finding talented attorneys who thrive in Dykema's highly collaborative culture. Since Kratovil himself joined Dykema as its 11th attorney in Texas a decade ago, the firm has more than quadrupled the number of lawyers in Dallas and has grown in other offices nationwide, with plans to continue.

"Based on my experience as a lateral hire putting down roots at Dykema and helping to mold the firm's culture and vision in a newer office, I'm thrilled now to have the chance to offer other talented attorneys the same opportunity to help shape the future of our deep-rooted yet entrepreneurial institution," said Kratovil. "Joining Dykema was one of the best professional decisions I have ever made, and I want all of our lateral hires to find that same fulfillment I have here at our firm."

Lateral attorneys joining Dykema will benefit from the experience of Steve Gistenson, Lateral Integration Partner, overseeing a structured integration process proven to lead to success.

In his practice, Kratovil, who is a member of the firm's Litigation Department, focuses on appellate matters. He represents clients in complex commercial disputes before tribunals ranging from small-town Texas trial courts to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit and Texas Supreme Court. Kratovil has presented more than 35 appellate oral arguments to all levels of courts in the appellate system. In addition to his extensive appellate work, he regularly handles case dispositive briefing and argument, jury charges, complex motions, research-intensive legal issues, emergency injunctions, and error preservation in the trial courts.

Kratovil earned a J.D., *with honors*, from the University of Texas School of Law and a B.A., *magna cum laude*, from the University of Notre Dame. He has been recognized as one of the "Top 100 Lawyers in Texas" as well as one of the "Top 100 Lawyers in Dallas/Fort Worth" each year since 2016 by *Texas Super Lawyers*. In addition to his new role as National Recruiting Partner, Kratovil will continue to lead Dykema's Dallas office.

Attorneys

Christopher D. Kratovil

Practice Areas

Appellate and Complex Motion Practice

Litigation