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Ferguson Skipper Attorneys Honored As 2016 *Florida Super Lawyers*®

SARASOTA, FL – June 10, 2016: James O. Ferguson, Jr., J. Ronald Skipper, Richard R. Gans and Douglas R. Bald, shareholders in the law firm of Ferguson, Skipper, Shaw, Keyser, Baron & Tirabassi, P.A., have been named to the 2016 list of *Florida Super Lawyers*. Ferguson specializes in tax law and has been recognized as a *Florida Super Lawyer* each year since 2008. Skipper and Gans specialize in wills, trusts and estates, and have been recognized as *Florida Super Lawyers* since 2007. Bald specializes in appellate law and was also recognized as a *Florida Super Lawyer* in 2014.

Super Lawyers recognizes attorneys who have attained a high degree of peer recognition, met ethical standards, and been recognized for their professional achievements. Only the top five percent of those nominated in more than 70 practice areas are chosen for the list. The annual selections are made by a research team at *Super Lawyers*, a service of Thomson Reuters-Legal Division, using a patented multiphase process that includes a statewide survey of lawyers, an independent research evaluation of candidates, and peer reviews by practice area.

All four attorneys are board certified by The Florida Bar in their areas of expertise and hold AV® Preeminent™ Peer Review Ratings from the attorney rating site Martindale-Hubbell, which is the highest rating available for an attorney's legal ability and professional ethics.

Ferguson Skipper was founded in Sarasota in 1976, and throughout 2016 its shareholders and staff will be commemorating the firm's 40th anniversary of representing businesses and individuals in the Sarasota County area.

About Ferguson, Skipper, Shaw, Keyser, Baron & Tirabassi, P.A.

Ferguson, Skipper, Shaw, Keyser, Baron & Tirabassi, P.A., has provided legal support to clients for 40 years. Founded in 1976, it is a full service law firm concentrating in the areas of federal taxation, wills, trusts and estates, civil, trial, business, and real estate law. All ten of the firm's shareholders are certified by The Florida Bar as a specialist in their areas of expertise. The Florida Bar's certification process is rigorous, requiring years of legal experience, extensive peer review, and passage of a comprehensive written examination. The firm is located at 1515 Ringling Boulevard, Sarasota, Florida; telephone 941-957-1900. For information, visit www.fergesonskipper.com.

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Photos attached - James O. Ferguson, Jr., J. Ronald Skipper, Richard R. Gans and Douglas R. Bald