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A PASSION FOR LAW, A UNIQUE PERSPECTIVE “We wake up every single day excited to come to work,” says Aaron J. Freiwald, founding shareholder of Layser & Freiwald, P.C. Freiwald and partner Derek R. Layser founded their firm five years ago to serve clients in health-care litigation, including medical malpractice, catastrophic injury, product liability, prescription drug errors, civil rights and toxic torts.

Before he began exclusively representing plaintiffs in 1995, Layser spent many years as a defense trial lawyer, giving him a wealth of experience in the courtroom. Freiwald worked for years as a journalist covering law and politics and served as the editorial director for Court TV. Their experience has helped Layser & Freiwald grow into one of the most respected civil trial boutique firms in Philadelphia. This year marks the third consecutive year his peers

have designated Layser as a Pennsylvania Super Lawyer. He has also received an AV rating from Martindale-Hubbell, their highest ranking. This year, Freiwald, who also has an AV rating, joins his partner as a Pennsylvania Super Lawyer.

WHEN YOU LOVE WHAT YOU DO, YOU DO IT WELL.

ALWAYS PREPARED FOR TRIAL “We’re serious about trial and we’re experienced at going to trial,” Layser says. Every single case is meticulously prepared, from the way the firm counsels clients to how it handles negotiations and drafts legal papers. With the growth of alternative dispute resolution, fewer and fewer lawyers gain substantial trial experience, but the trial team of lawyers and staff at Layser & Freiwald has that experience and applies

that experience in every case. “We think the best path to settlement is to be well prepared for trial,” Freiwald says.

COMPLEX ISSUES, MAJOR CASES Layser & Freiwald handles complex, high-value cases. The firm currently represents several individuals and has filed a class-action against a local chemical company. Their aggressive, thorough approach to trials has led to multiple seven-figure settlements and jury awards, including an \$8.25 million verdict on behalf of the widow of a young man whose physician failed to diagnose and treat colon cancer, and a \$4 million verdict on behalf of the family of a 36-year-old mother of three who died of a massive pulmonary embolism following routine knee surgery.

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