

Vedder Highlights

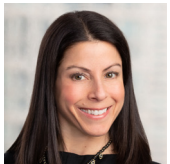
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New Shareholders

**Kimberley E. Lunetta**

Labor & Employment, Miami

“Kim brings us extensive experience in representing a wide range of clients in labor and employment matters. We are thrilled to welcome her to the firm and our team,” said Vedder Price Shareholder and Chair of the Labor and Employment practice area, Elizabeth N. Hall. “Adding her to our expanding team significantly strengthens our practice and also enhances our ability to meet the always evolving needs of our clients.”

With more than 20 years of law firm experience, Lunetta brings a highly successful track record in state and federal courts, Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) and other arbitration forums, and federal and state administrative agencies.

Lunetta routinely defends and counsels clients facing a range of labor and employment issues, with a focus on the financial services, life sciences and telecommunication industries. She also specializes in advising on employee medical leave and disability accommodations and defending against disability discrimination and failure to accommodate claims.

**Robert Salame**

Real Estate and Corporate, New York

“We are thrilled to welcome Robert to our growing real estate team,” said Andrew Torre, Vedder Price Shareholder and Chair of the Real Estate group. “His extensive experience in complex transactional real estate matters enhances our ability to serve clients in the New York market.”

Salame’s real estate practice focuses on all aspects of commercial real estate transactions. This includes representing sponsors and developers throughout the lifecycle of a transaction (e.g., joint venturing, acquisitions, dispositions and financing (both debt and equity)), across a wide range of asset classes, such as retail, office, multifamily

Vedder Price Recognitions

Vedder Price Recognized in Chambers USA in 2025

Several of our attorneys and practice groups have been ranked by Chambers USA in 2025, including a nationwide Band 1 firm ranking for Transportation: Aviation: Finance, the guide's highest honor, for the twentieth year in a row, alongside an additional nationwide Band 1 firm ranking for Government Contracts: Highly Regarded.

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Vedder Price Practice Areas and Attorneys Recognized in The Legal 500 United States in 2025

13 of our practice areas and 41 of our attorneys received individual recognition. This marks our fourteenth consecutive year of being honored with "Top-Tier Firm" rankings in Transportation: Aviation and Air Travel – Finance, and Transportation: Rail and Road – Finance. Additionally, Vedder Price received a "Top-Tier Firm" ranking in Chicago Elite: Corporate and M&A - Leading Law Firms.

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and hotel and industrial properties. He also routinely represents debt funds and family offices in secured debt, mezzanine loans, note-on-note financing and preferred equity transactions.

His corporate work includes general commercial matters, mergers and acquisitions, licensing, financing and start-up advisory services.

Alexander W. Leonard

Labor & Employment, New York



"We are thrilled to welcome Alexander to our Labor and Employment practice in New York, which continues to rapidly grow and expand," said Vedder Price Shareholder and Chair of the Labor and Employment practice area, Elizabeth

N. Hall. "His extensive experience in representing clients in employment litigation and counseling matters makes him a terrific addition to our team."

Leonard's practice focuses on representing small to large clients spanning a wide range of retail, entertainment, technology, real estate and financial services industries and has consistently shown strength and focus on the hospitality, beverage and beauty industries, as well as emerging businesses.



John P. Guyette

Labor & Employment, New York

"Adding John to our team brings additional depth to our bench and enhances our ability to meet the ever changing needs of our clients," said Vedder

Price Shareholder and Chair of the Labor and Employment practice area, Elizabeth N. Hall. "He brings us a strong mix of law firm, government and policy and litigation experience, and we're thrilled to welcome him to Vedder Price."

Guyette is a seasoned litigator who focuses his practice on general employment counseling and training, workplace investigations and complex litigation of single-plaintiff and multi-plaintiff discrimination matters, wrongful discharge disputes and wage and hour violations. He has extensive experience litigating employment compensation, retaliation, whistleblower and defamation claims in federal and state courts, before administrative agencies and in various arbitration panels. In addition to the breadth of his litigation experience, Guyette is routinely sought out for his extensive experience in the New York state court system and his expertise in the NYCPLR and local rules of practice.

Vedder Price Recognized by Bloomberg Law as a Leading Law Firm

Vedder Price has been recognized by Bloomberg Law in its inaugural Leading Law Firms, which identifies firms making an impact within their field of practice.

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Vedder Price Recognized by Vault and Chambers Associate for Outstanding Associate Experience

Vedder Price's summer program was ranked top 10 nationally by Vault.

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Vedder Price Recognized in BTI Consulting Group's The Mad Clientist Publication: "Clients Reveal the Most Recommended Midsize and Smaller Firms by Name"

Vedder Price was recently recognized in a list of most recommended midsize and small firms by The Mad Clientist, a publication by the BTI Consulting Group. The report highlights over 100 small and midsize law firms recommended most often by clients, based on unprompted feedback from corporate counsel.

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Michael Kurzer
Intellectual Property, New York

"Michael brings us outstanding experience to what is already a strategically strong group, and he is a terrific addition to our team," said John K. Burke, Shareholder and Chair of the Intellectual Property group. "We're thrilled to welcome him to the firm and his addition now significantly enhances our ability to meet the complex needs of our clients moving forward."

Michael Kurzer focuses his practice on providing clients with strategic counsel on intellectual property, information technology and data privacy and security matters, including licensing and due diligence for technology-focused mergers and acquisitions and private equity investments.



Susan B. Niver
Executive Compensation & Employee Benefits, New York

"Susan brings invaluable depth of experience in executive compensation and employee benefits, significantly enhancing our ability to meet our clients' needs," said Christopher Collins, Shareholder and Chair, Executive Compensation & Employee Benefits group. "We are thrilled to welcome her to our team, and we believe she will be an outstanding addition to the firm."

In addition to her robust background in advising on benefit compliance matters, Niver focuses her practice on all aspects of ERISA, qualified retirement plans and executive compensation. She is a trusted advisor to plan sponsors, boards, compensation committees and plan trustees regarding fiduciary duties, governance and compliance matters, and administrative obligations with respect to benefit plans. Her practical and clear advice helps clients minimize fiduciary risk.

Niver regularly advises clients on structuring, negotiating and implementing executive employment agreements and deferred compensation arrangements. She also brings a wealth of experience in advising non-profit entities and Taft Hartley multiemployer plans on employee benefit and executive compensation matters.

Recognized for her accomplishments in the field by Chambers and Partners USA and the prestigious American College of Employee Benefits Counsel, Niver has also been included in the New York Metro Super Lawyers and New York Metro Top Women in Employee Benefits lists. She previously served as the Chair of the IRS Advisory Committee on Tax Exempt and Government Entities and has significant experience representing her clients before the IRS and the Department of Labor.

Vedder Price Recognitions

Vedder Price Wins Marine Money “Securitization Deal of the Year” Award

Vedder Price was selected for Marine Money’s 2024 Securitization Deal of the Year award for its transactional representation of Maritime Partners.

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Vedder Price Global Transportation Finance Business Aviation Practice and Attorneys Recognized in Chambers HNW Rankings 2025

Vedder Price’s Business Aviation Practice was ranked Band 1 by Chambers in its High Net Worth Guide 2025. In addition, three Global Transportation Finance attorneys were also recognized in the guide.

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Recent Wins

Vedder Price Advises Aero Capital Solutions in Capital Raise for Investment Vehicle Set to Deploy \$3.5 Billion in Aircraft Leasing

Vedder Price served as legal counsel to Aero Capital Solutions, Inc. (“ACS”) in connection with capital raising activities for its fourth, and largest, aviation investment vehicle. Vedder Price’s Investment Services group advised ACS in connection with fund formation activities, through which the investment vehicle secured total aggregate equity commitments of \$936 million from a diverse group of institutional investors, registered investment advisers, and family offices. In addition, Vedder Price’s Global Transportation Finance team advised ACS in connection with two cutting-edge warehouse debt facilities specifically tailored to ACS’s mid-life aircraft investment strategy, which were arranged by Deutsche Bank and Atlas SP. The investment vehicle is expected to deploy \$3.5 billion into mid-life aircraft leasing investments.

Vedder Price Represents Initial Purchasers in \$729 Million Aviation Loan ABS

Vedder Price represented the initial purchasers in connection with a \$729 million aviation loan ABS by PK AirFinance, a leading aviation lending platform and affiliate of Apollo (“PKAIR 2025-1”).

PK ALIFT Loan Funding 6 LP (the “Issuer”) issued four classes of notes with \$635 million aggregate principal amount and borrowed \$94 million pursuant to a secured loan facility. The proceeds of the notes and the loan are being used by the Issuer to acquire the rights to the economics of a portfolio of 114 senior secured aviation-related loans through the acquisition of 100 percent of a series of limited partnership interests of a loan origination vehicle managed by PK AirFinance.

RBC Capital Markets and Redding Ridge acted as co-structuring agents.

“We were pleased to advise the initial purchasers in this significant transaction that marks a key step in the strategic plans of Apollo, PK AirFinance and the PK ALIFT platform,” said Global Transportation Finance Shareholder Jeff Veber.

PKAIR 2025-1 represents PK’s largest ABS transaction to date and marks the third issuance in the PK ALIFT program, having issued approximately \$2 billion of cumulative aviation loan ABS transactions during the past year.

Vedder Price Advises Clairvest in Its Investment in Beneficial Reuse Management

Vedder Price advised Clairvest in its investment in Beneficial Reuse Management, an environmental services company providing programs to manage industrial byproducts and waste streams.

The deal team was led by M&A Shareholder Joseph Kye. The deal team also included M&A Associates Zachary Iacovino and Sara Levine and Tax Shareholder Matthew Larvick.

Vedder Price Represents Netrio, a Portfolio Company of L Squared Capital Partners, in Its Acquisition of Agio

Vedder Price represented Netrio, a portfolio company of L Squared Capital Partners, in its acquisition of Agio, a managed IT services provider for hedge funds, private equity funds and financial services providers.

The deal team was led by President & CEO Michael Nemeroff, M&A Shareholder Gregory Ge and Associates Sara Levine and Alec Lybik. The deal team also included Labor & Employment Shareholder Patrick Spangler and Associate Lauren Wertheimer; Executive Compensation & Employee Benefits Shareholder Daniel Lange and Associate Olivia Ustupski; Real Estate Shareholder Patrick Johnston; Privacy, Cybersecurity & Media Shareholder Bryan Clark; Tax Shareholder Grant Kaiser; Intellectual Property Associate Joshua Grant; Government Investigations & White Collar Defense Associate Tamara Droubi; and International Trade & Compliance Associate Jaime Rosenberg.

Vedder Price Represents Wynnchurch Capital in Sale of Northstar Aerospace to GE Aerospace

Vedder Price represented Wynnchurch Capital in the sale of portfolio company Northstar Aerospace, a manufacturer of flight-critical and non-flight-critical parts for military and commercial aircraft applications, to GE Aerospace.

The Vedder deal team was led by President & CEO Michael Nemeroff, M&A Shareholder Jason Reese and Associates James Warczak and Mary Donohue. The deal team also included Tax Shareholder Grant Kaiser; Environmental Counsel Dana Mehlman; Antitrust Shareholder Brian McCalmon and Associate Hunter Rush; International Trade & Compliance Shareholder Brent Connor and Associate Jaime Rosenberg; Executive Compensation & Employee Benefits Shareholder Kelly Starr and Associate Amal Rafiq; Government Contracts Associate Tamara Droubi; and Labor & Employment Shareholders Kenneth Sparks and Eugene Boyle.

Vedder Price Represents Citibank NA in CHF 1 Billion Loan to Republic of Panama

Vedder Price represented Citibank, N.A. in a CHF 1 billion unsecured term loan to the Republic of Panama to finance general budgetary purposes.

The Vedder deal team was led by Finance & Transactions Shareholder Tomasz Kulawik and included Finance & Transactions Associate Israel Del Mundo.

Vedder Price Represents Pine Bay Ventures in \$41 Million Construction Loan Transaction

Vedder Price represented Pine Bay Ventures in the origination of a construction loan in the amount of \$41,200,000 to MG Developer Miami to develop town homes in Coral Gables, Florida.

The Vedder Price team was led by Shareholders Robert Salame and Jonathan Kurry, and Associate Lisa Cardone.

Awards and Recognitions

Vedder Price Shareholders Cheryl Sabnis and Candice Zee Named Top Labor and Employment Lawyers by the Daily Journal

Vedder Price is pleased to announce that Shareholders Cheryl Sabnis and Candice Zee have been named to the Daily Journal's 2025 list of Top Labor & Employment Lawyers. This prestigious award annually recognizes top attorneys practicing in California.

Arlene Gelman Named to Lawdragon's 500 Leading U.S. Bankruptcy & Restructuring Lawyers

Vedder Price Shareholder Arlene Gelman has again been selected as one of Lawdragon's "500 Leading U.S. Bankruptcy & Restructuring Lawyers." Please join us in congratulating Arlene on this well-deserved achievement.

Her practice includes representation of equipment lessors, lenders and other secured and unsecured creditors in the U.S. state, federal district, appellate and bankruptcy courts. In addition to her extensive practice work, she currently sits as Co-Chair of the Creditors' Rights and Collections group.

Katie Stevens Receives 2025 ABF Journal Trailblazers Recognition

Vedder Price is pleased to announce that Shareholder Katie Stevens has been named to the prestigious 2025 ABF Journal Trailblazers list honoring leading women in specialty finance.