CAPES SOKOL APPOINTS DANIELLE M. DURBAN AS CHAIR OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY GROUP

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Capes Sokol is proud to announce Danielle M. Durban as Chair of the Firm's Intellectual Property Practice Group. This appointment reflects Dani's expertise in intellectual property law and her ability to craft innovative legal strategies that drive client success.

Dani brings a unique blend of legal acumen and creative experience to her new role. With a background as a graphic and web artist, she has a deep understanding of the intersection between business goals and intellectual property protection. Her practice spans a wide array of industries—entertainment, technology, and the arts—where she has helped clients safeguard intellectual property, negotiate licenses, and structure complex business deals.

Over her career, Dani has worked with a diverse clientele, including television and movie production companies, software developers, restaurant owners and operators, artists, authors, and entrepreneurs. She is well-versed in copyright and trademark protection, IP licensing, rights acquisitions, and contract negotiations. Dani is highly regarded for her skill in simplifying complex legal matters into practical, results-driven strategies, making her a trusted advisor to her clients.

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"Effective leadership is critical to delivering excellent service and achieving outstanding results for our clients, and Dani's unrelenting drive will certainly set the tone for the IP Practice Group," said Douglas Dove, Managing Shareholder of Capes Sokol. "We appreciate Dani's willingness to step forward to take on the extra duties of leading this burgeoning practice group while remaining highly involved in her busy practice."

Dani's professional achievements have earned her widespread recognition in the legal community. She was named a 2025 "Ones to Watch" in Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships) byThe Best Lawyers in America®and was included in the 2024Super Lawyers® Missouri and Kansas Rising Stars List. In 2023, she was honored as an "Up and Coming Lawyer" byMissouri Lawyers Weekly.

Under Dani's leadership, the Intellectual Property Group is poised for continued growth and success. Her forward-thinking approach will bring creative, results-driven solutions to clients while furthering Capes Sokol's commitment to innovation and excellence.

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