Media Abuzz Over New Katten Chair-Elect Gil Soffer

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Several news organizations — including *Bloomberg Law, Reuters, Law.com* and *Law360* — have featured articles covering the news that Gil Soffer has been tapped to become Katten's next chairman in July. Gil, a former federal prosecutor and currently head of Katten's Chicago office and co-chair of the firm's Litigation Department, will succeed Roger Furey, a Washington-based Intellectual Property partner and former chair of the firm's DC office who has been chair since 2016.

JD Journal observed that with Gil's extensive background in white-collar crime defense and history of firm leadership, his appointment "signals a strategic move to elevate the firm's standing in the legal landscape further."

"I'm excited about being able to steer the firm forward," Gil said in an interview with *Bloomberg Law*. "We've had really good years, and I think we're at an exciting point where we can grow, deepen our bench and get greater and more good work to elevate our brand."

Gil further told *Bloomberg* that Katten would continue to invest in signature practices such as its work in areas of finance as well as other areas, including corporate work.

Separately, Gil told *Law360* how much he loves Katten and what an honor it is to be entrusted with the role of chair. "I have spent the bulk of my career here, and I am deeply grateful for the outstanding contributions of my colleagues, attorneys and business professionals, who make this a firm we can all be proud of," he said. "As we near our 50th year as a firm — clearly one that has thrived despite the challenges facing our industry — I look forward to continuing to deliver the highest levels of client service and building on the successes we have achieved under Roger and [CEO Noah Heller's] leadership."

"Katten Elects Chicago Partner Gil Soffer as Next Firm Chair," *Bloomberg Law*, November 29, 2023

"Katten Taps Chicago Office Head as Incoming Chair," *Law.com*, November 29, 2023

"Law firm Katten taps Chicago leader Soffer as next chair," *Reuters*, November 29, 2023

"Katten Names Longtime Chicago Leader As Next Firm Chair," *Law360*, November 29, 2023

"Katten names Gil Soffer as next chairman," *Chicago Daily Law Bulletin*, November 29, 2023

"Katten Muchin Rosenman Announces New Chairman Appointment," *JD Journal*, November 30, 2023

"Katten appoints new chair," *Commercial Dispute Resolution*, December 1, 2023

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