

## Jeff S. Korek To Be Honored At Cal Ramsey Awards

Top NYC attorney to be recognized for Basketball-Themed Charitable Work; Additional Honorees include New York Hoops Icon Willis Reed

NEW YORK, NY, UNITED STATES, August 15, 2018 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The <u>Cal</u> <u>Ramsey Awards</u>' executive committee announced today that <u>Jeff S. Korek</u>, Senior Trial Partner at the Manhattan law firm Gersowitz Libo & Korek, P.C., will be among its 2018 honorees and



2018 Cal Ramsey Award Winner Jeff S. Korek

will be officially recognized at a midtown gala in October.

Jeff is a Past President and current Board Member of the New York State Trial Lawyers Association and a Past President of the New York City Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates. Each year, he is recognized in both Best Lawyers in America® and Super Lawyers® in the fields of personal injury and medical malpractice. In 2016, he was named as Best Lawyer's "Lawyer of the Year" for Personal Injury Litigation in New York City. In 2018, the Litigation Counsel of America inducted him into the Trial Lawyers Honorary Society. He is routinely described as "powerful" and "influential" by publications such as the New York Times and Crain's New York Business.

The awards committee singled Jeff out for his longstanding leadership of and commitment to the South Bronx-based <u>Gardiner Family Memorial Basketball</u> Tournament, which, for 13 years, has been one of the elite streetball events in the region. The tournament and its related activities honor the memories of the victims of a tragic car accident that took the lives of six members of the same family, while raising money to assist local families in similar circumstances

Since 1999, Jeff has been appointed by four consecutive presiding Justices of the New York State Appellate Division, Second Department, to its Committees on Character and Fitness. He is also a frequent lecturer at the New York State Trial Lawyers Institute, the New York State Bar Association and Fordham University School of Law on subjects of Trial Practice, Medical Malpractice and Construction Injuries. He is regularly published in the New York Law Journal.

The annual Cal Ramsey Awards, named for the venerable Harlem community leader and former New York Knicks player and broadcaster, recognize exceptional New Yorkers who have used basketball to promote excellence, dignity, perseverance, and commitment to our community. The awards gala, hosted by broadcaster Kenny Albert, benefits Harlem Cultural Archives' Cal Ramsey Scholarship Fund. Previous award winners have included the founder of the Rucker Pro League Bob McCullough; broadcasting icon Bob Wolff; WNBA star Theresa Weatherspoon; and NBA legends Earl "The Pearl" Monroe and Kiki Vandeweghe.

"It's a great thrill for me to receive this award," said Mr. Korek, a resident of Scarsdale. "We couldn't be more proud of the work we do with Dexter and Sherri Gardiner and the Gardiner Foundation. Helping the Gardiner Foundation grow from where we started until today is one of

the most satisfying accomplishments of my life and whatever honors I've earned for that work needs to be shared with Dexter, Sherri, and the rest of the team."

Cal Ramsey Awards' Executive Director Emily Goldberg said, "We first look to players and coaches when considering honorees. But we're always reminded of so many business and community leaders who do extraordinary things to bring our game to young people who can use it to build better lives. Among the dozens of names suggested to us for 2018, Jeff Korek and the Gardiner Foundation really stood out. We congratulate Jeff and are pleased to welcome him to our roster of Cal Ramsey Award winners."

In addition to Mr. Korek, the committee named Naismith Hall of Famer Willis Reed among the 2018 award recipients. Additional honorees will be announced in September. The 2018 Cal Ramsey Awards will be held at Clyde Frazier's Wine and Dine on the evening of October 10th. Those interested in attending or sponsoring the event should visit <u>www.calramseyfund.org</u> for more info.

ABOUT GERSOWITZ LIBO & KOREK, P.C.

In 1984, Andrew L. Libo and Edward H. Gersowitz founded Gersowitz & Libo, P.C. Jeff S. Korek joined the firm as a named partner in 1992. Mr. Korek now serves as the firm's Senior Trial Partner.

Gersowitz Libo & Korek, P.C. specializes in personal injury, medical malpractice, construction accidents and wrongful death cases. The firm's mission is to provide the best legal services possible to families who have suffered from the negligence of others. GLK has won more than \$800 million in verdicts and settlements on behalf of their clients. Their lawyers focus on significant personal injury and medical malpractice cases. GLK handles cases throughout New York and New Jersey.

Gersowitz and Korek are Past Presidents of the New York State Trial Lawyers Association. The firm has received many professional accolades including being ranked by Best Lawyers® as one of the best law firms in the United States.

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