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Lozano Smith Attorneys Recognized as California Super Lawyers and Rising Stars

Fresno, Calif., (July 9, 2015) – <u>Lozano Smith, LLP</u>, a leading California education and public agency law firm, is pleased to announce that four attorneys from across the state have been selected by *Super Lawyers Magazine* as 2015 Northern California Super Lawyers and Rising Stars. Each year, less than five percent of the lawyers in the state receive the Super Lawyers designation, while less than two and a half percent of lawyers receive the Rising Star designation.

Lozano Smith attorneys selected to the 2015 Super Lawyers List include: Louis T. Lozano, Partner, Northern California Super Lawyer Michelle L. Cannon, Senior Counsel, Northern California Super Lawyer Ashley N. Emerzian, Associate, Rising Star Benjamin C. Rosenbaum, Associate, Rising Star

Louis T. Lozano has been selected for the tenth year by *Super Lawyers Magazine* as among the top five percent of attorneys in California. Mr. Lozano is a founding Partner of Lozano Smith which he began in 1988 with 3 other partners and which has grown to its present size of 77 attorneys in 9 offices in California. For the past 40 years, Mr. Lozano has focused his practice on representing California school and community college districts. He is recognized as an attorney who resolves difficult issues for his clients whether in labor negotiations, litigation or administrative matters. Michelle L. Cannon has extensive experience in board governance, labor and personnel-related matters, student discipline, and charter school facilities. She is a coveted speaker at conferences throughout California, and has been named a Super Lawyer since 2013.

"Lozano Smith is tremendously proud of our attorneys who have been selected for inclusion on the well-respected Super Lawyers list," said <u>Karen Rezendes Tannehill</u>, Managing Partner of Lozano Smith. "This achievement reflects the success that Lozano



Smith has achieved in delivering superior and invaluable legal services to our public agency and school district clients, and our pledge to continue working diligently in collaboration with our clients on behalf of the communities they serve."

<u>Ashley N. Emerzian</u>, named a Rising Star by *Super Lawyers Magazine* for three consecutive years, represents the firm's public agency clients with a focus on general counsel and labor and employment matters on behalf of school districts. She is a current board member of Fresno Barrios Unidos and serves on the California Young Lawyers Association Board of Directors. <u>Benjamin C. Rosenbaum</u> represents education clients from the firm's Fresno and Bakersfield offices, and he is co-chair of Lozano Smith's <u>Students Practice Group</u>. He serves as general counsel for school districts, with a focus on student issues, facilities and business matters, and labor and employment.

About Lozano Smith

Lozano Smith is a full-service education and public agency law firm serving hundreds of California's K-12 and community college districts, and numerous cities, counties, and special districts. The firm's expertise includes, but is not limited to, personnel matters, labor relations, real property and construction matters, constitutional issues, special education, student discipline, school funding, charter schools, bond elections, governance, and litigation in all areas of representation. Lozano Smith has offices in 9 California locations: Bakersfield, Fresno, Los Angeles, Monterey, Petaluma, Redding, Sacramento, San Diego and Walnut Creek. For more information about Lozano Smith or to see full attorney bios, visit <u>www.LozanoSmith.com</u> or find us on <u>Facebook</u> or <u>Twitter</u>. You can also download the Lozano Smith App.