

Wiley Rein's Kimberly Melvin Honored by *Business Insurance* Magazine

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Business Insurance magazine has named Kimberly M. Melvin, a partner in Wiley Rein's Insurance Practice, to its select list of 2013 "Women to Watch" in the insurance industry. The award spotlights "women leaders doing outstanding work" in risk management, benefits management, commercial insurance, and the legal field. The 25 recipients were honored this month at a leadership workshop and awards luncheon in New York.

Ms. Melvin is well known in the professional liability insurance industry, having carved out a unique and highly pertinent niche at the convergence of insurance and bankruptcy law. In addition, she is a leading lawyer for insurers in cases involving fiduciary liability policies and ERISA claims. Frequently recognized for her work, she was lauded by The Legal 500 US 2013 for her "amazing knowledge, business acumen and strategizing." She also was named to Washington, DC's "Super Lawyers" list for insurance in 2013, and dubbed a "Rising Star" by *Law360* in 2011.

"What attracted me to these types of cases is there's so much that's on the cutting edge and ripped from the headlines that goes on in this industry," Ms. Melvin told *Business Insurance* in an interview. "In a lot of ways, while we're fighting legal issues, we're also tackling business issues and, as lawyer, I find that interesting and exciting."

Ms. Melvin is the second Wiley Rein attorney selected for this honor by *Business Insurance* in the past two years. Laura A. Foggan, chair of the firm's Insurance Appellate Group, was named to the magazine's prestigious "Women to Watch" list in 2011.

As part of the selection process, a panel of senior editors at *Business Insurance* considered recent professional achievements, influence on the marketplace and contributions to the advancement of women in business. *Business Insurance* is a leading weekly trade publication that provides news for executives responsible for the purchase and administration of corporate insurance and self-insurance programs.