

National Law Journal Recognizes Dale Werts as a 2018 "Cryptocurrency/Blockchain/Fintech Trailblazer"

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Lathrop Gage Partner Dale A. Werts has been selected as a *National Law Journal* 2018 "Cryptocurrency/ Blockchain/Fintech Trailblazer." The *National Law Journal* awards this honor to legal professionals who have made significant marks on the practice, policy and technological advancements in their sector, i.e., "agents of change." A pioneering lawyer in the world of Cryptocurrency and Blockchain technology, Werts perceived the growing industry's potential impact to revolutionize countless markets over the next decade and recognized the need for legal representation to assist the businesses engaged. Werts' forward-thinking was the driving force in the birth of Lathrop Gage's Blockchain & Cryptocurrency practice group and what led him to receive the coveted "Trailblazer" designation, a well-deserved honor.

Werts has worked with both domestic and foreign entities to establish worldwide networks of affiliates engaged in various blockchain-related business activities, to launch blockchain platforms and related cryptocurrency tokens, and to market blockchain-based business services and assets. He has also assisted domestic and foreign clients with the establishment of cryptocurrency investment funds, cryptocurrency exchanges and cryptocurrency mining operations, as well as various blockchain-related trademark and patent matters. Werts' practice spans several additional areas of law as well, including corporate and general business matters, corporate finance, mergers and acquisitions, corporate governance, technology licenses and insurance operations and transactional matters. He has represented both public and private clients in connection with their finance, operational and transactional needs in many different industries, including manufacturing, retail, agribusiness, transportation, financial services, telecommunications, pharmaceuticals and medical equipment, religious and educational institutions, travel and tourism, food products, entertainment, e-commerce, technology, human resources and advertising.

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