



Steven M. Goldberg, partner at Friedemann Goldberg LLP has been named the “Santa Rosa Best Lawyers Trusts and Estates Lawyer of the Year” for 2012.

Best Lawyers, a peer-review publication, has designated “Lawyers of the Year” in high-profile legal specialties in large legal communities for 25 years. Only a single lawyer in each specialty in each community receives the honor.

Mr. Goldberg has a wide range of experience with sophisticated estate planning techniques, tax strategies, and complex trust administration matters. He is certified as a specialist in Estate Planning, Trust & Probate Law by the California Board of Legal Specialization of the State Bar of California.

Best Lawyers compiles its lists of outstanding attorneys by conducting exhaustive peer-review surveys in which thousands of leading lawyers confidentially evaluate their professional peers. The current, 18th edition of the publication *The Best Lawyers in America* is based on more than 3.9 million detailed evaluations of lawyers by peers.

Those honored as “Lawyers of the Year” have received particularly high ratings in surveys by earning a high level of respect among their peers for their abilities, professionalism, and integrity.

Steven Naifeh, president of Best Lawyers, said, “We continue to believe – as we have believed for more than 25 years – that recognition by one’s peers is the most meaningful form of praise in the legal profession. We would like to congratulate Steven M. Goldberg on being selected as the ‘Santa Rosa Best Lawyers Trusts and Estates Lawyer of the Year’ for 2012.”