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### **SmartCEO Celebrated Baltimore's Top Advisors at the Centers of Influence Awards**

*More than 200 business leaders joined SmartCEO to celebrate Baltimore's top accountants, attorneys and bankers, Oct. 25*

**Baltimore, MD (Oct. 26, 2016)** — Baltimore SmartCEO celebrated Baltimore's top advisors at the 2016 Centers of Influence Awards, which took place on Oct. 25, 2016 at The Grand. The Centers of Influence Awards program honors the leadership, innovation, impact and success of the Baltimore region's most enterprising accountants, attorneys and bankers. This year's honorees average more than 22 years of experience in their professions and work for firms that employ more than 100,000 individuals. Additionally, the 2016 Centers of Influence Award honorees were profiled in the September/October issue of *Baltimore SmartCEO* magazine.

*Please see below for a complete list of honorees and for program details. To share in the excitement leading up to the event, follow us @SmartCEO #CentersofInfluence.*

"The relationships with your trusted accountant, attorney or banker are often formed in stone. They're there for you when you're starting out, help you build your dream, and stick by your side long after you've achieved it. Deep respect and friendships are formed from long battles in the trenches, high times and low," says Jaime Nespor-Zawmon, President of SmartCEO. "That's why these Centers of Influence deserve this distinguished honor — and the meaningful words provided by their CEO nominators. Their stories are truly remarkable."

Nearly 200 executives and decision-makers attended the high-energy celebration to honor the 2016 Centers of Influence Awards honorees and their achievements. The event kicked off with a networking reception, which was followed by a video-packed awards presentation that commemorated each advisor for their leadership, innovation, impact and success.



## **2016 Baltimore Centers of Influence Honorees**

### **Accountants**

**Marc Asher, CPA**

Asher & Associates, LLC

**Jefry A. Bohn, CPA**

Smith Elliott Kearns & Company, LLC

**Mary Brown, CPA**

Ellin & Tucker

**John Fiedler, CPA**

Wolfe & Fiedler, PA

**Donald N. Hoffman, CPA**

Hertzbach & Company, P.A.

**Brian Israel, CPA**

Dixon Hughes Goodman LLP

**Alvin D. Katz, CPA (Winner)**

KatzAbosch

**Len Miller, CPA (Winner)**

Leonard J. Miller & Associates,  
Chartered

**Anne M. O'Hare, CPA**

Joseph R. Tringali, CPA, PA

**Kenneth F. Prager, CPA**

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**Marc Rubin, CPA**

bgr CPAs

**Chad Seifert, CPA**

KatzAbosch

**Arun Walia, CPA**

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Svcs, Inc.

**Elizabeth Wittstadt**

EKW Accounting and Bookkeeping  
Services

### **Attorneys**

**Ross W. Albers**

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Kelly | Dorsey, P.C.

**Michael John Halaiko**

Miles & Stockbridge P.C.

**Stephanie Kaye Baron and Joseph P.**

**Ward**

Miles & Stockbridge P.C.

**Eric G. Orlinsky**

Saul Ewing LLP

**Vasilios Peros**

Law Office of Vasilios Peros, PC

**Colleen Pleasant Kline**

Miles & Stockbridge P.C.

**Jason A. Plotkin**

Pinder Plotkin LLC

**Joyce E. Smithey**

Rifkin Weiner Livingston LLC

**Britt L. Stouffer**

Stouffer Legal LLC

**Jonathan Wachs**

Offit Kurman

**Eliot M. Wagonheim (Winner)**

Wagonheim Law

**Robert J. Weltchek (Winner)**

Weltchek Mallahan & Weltchek, LLC

**Adam Zarren (Winner)**

Zarren Law Group, LLC



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PNC Bank

**Joseph Campopiano**

Wells Fargo Commercial

Distribution Finance

**Nancy M. Forrest**

Revere Bank

**C. Alan Jefferson**

Sandy Spring Bank

**Marty Lapera**

Frederick County Bank

**Dr. Jameson Lawrence, Esq.**

BVFR & Associates, LLC

**Andrea Pelletier**

Bank of America

**Thomas Ransom** (*Winner*)

BB&T

**Daniel J. Sullivan** (*Winner*)

Capital One Bank

**Todd D. Warren**

Bay Bank

### About the Centers of Influence Awards

The Centers of Influence Awards program honors the leadership, innovation, impact and success of the region's most enterprising accountants, attorneys and bankers. These professionals represent the best and brightest in the region and have demonstrated an unrivaled commitment to their clients. Finalists are profiled in the September/October issue of *SmartCEO* magazine and celebrated at an awards event in October where category winners are announced live.

### About SmartCEO

SmartCEO's mission is to educate and inspire the business community through its award-winning magazine, connections at C-level events and access to valuable online resources. SmartCEO's integrated media platforms reach decision makers in the Baltimore, New York, Philadelphia and Washington, DC, metropolitan areas.

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