



# Press Release

## **Daniel Faust, Michael Dixon Honored with Cystic Fibrosis Foundation's '40 Under 40' Award**

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Akerman LLP, a top 100 U.S. law firm serving clients across the Americas, today announced that partners **Daniel Faust** and **Michael Dixon** received the "40 Under 40" award by the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation of South Florida. The award celebrates lawyers in the Miami area, who serve as an example for their peers and the community. To commemorate this year's honorees, Akerman hosted a meet-and-greet reception at the firm's Miami office. The event helped members of the legal community connect with leaders from the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and other stakeholders.

A member of Akerman's Real Estate Practice Group, Faust practices commercial real estate law in the firm's Miami office. He represents investors, lenders and developers in a broad range of transactions throughout the United States, including joint ventures, asset acquisitions and dispositions, mortgage and mezzanine loans and distressed property investments and restructurings. Faust has been involved in projects that have transformed Miami's landscape, including the Wynwood Arts District in Miami's urban core and the Faena District on Miami Beach. He also has been recognized for his contributions to Miami's startup community and for his involvement in The LAB Miami, an entrepreneurial incubator located in Wynwood and a rising center for innovation for domestic and international entrepreneurs.

Dixon is a partner in the firm's Intellectual Property Practice Group in the West Palm Beach office. His practice focuses on an array of intellectual property matters, with an emphasis on patent procurement, intellectual property due diligence assessments, patent assertion and defense, and intellectual property asset management. He represents clients such as Global 500 companies, universities and growing companies with their intellectual property needs. Dixon serves on a variety of civic boards as well as contributing volunteer hours. Among his numerous community involvement projects, he serves actively as a member of KAIROS Prison Ministry International, a global organization that provides mentoring and guidance to more than 25,000 inmates in approximately 400 maximum security prisons worldwide; the Coastal Conservation Association; the Boy Scouts of America's Gulf Stream Council; and the Place of Hope, a children's support organization.

The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation of South Florida will formally recognize the 2014 "40 Under 40" honorees at an award ceremony on Nov. 8, 2014 at the JW Marriott Marquis in Miami.

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