

**Press Release:  
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The Omaha law firm of Gross & Welch is pleased to announce the induction of Francie C. Riedmann as a Fellow of the Nebraska State Bar Foundation and the induction of John A. Svoboda and Francie C. Riedmann as Fellows of the Litigation Counsel of America. They are both shareholders at Gross & Welch.

The prestigious honor of being named a Fellow of the Nebraska State Bar Association is annually bestowed upon 30 lawyers who meet the foundation's guidelines of integrity and character, dedication to improving the administration of justice, recognition as a leader of the legal profession by colleagues, financial support of the foundation, and geographical representation.

The Litigation Counsel of America is a trial lawyer honorary society composed of less than one-half of one percent of American lawyers. Fellowship in the LCA is highly selective and by invitation only. Fellows are selected based upon effectiveness and accomplishment in litigation, both at the trial and appellate levels, and superior ethical reputation. Established as a trial and appellate lawyer honorary society reflecting the American bar in the twenty-first century, the LCA represents the best in law among its membership.

Ms. Riedmann graduated from Creighton University School of Law in 1993 and primarily practices in appellate advocacy and general civil litigation. She has briefed or made oral arguments on over 50 appeals to the Nebraska Supreme Court, Nebraska Court of Appeals, Nebraska Workers Compensation Review Panel and the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit. Ms. Riedmann is also a member of the Nebraska State Bar Association, Omaha Bar Association and the Nebraska Defense Counsel.

Mr. Svoboda graduated from Creighton University School of Law in 1992 and practices insurance litigation, medical malpractice, personal injury, criminal law and product liability. He is currently serving as the Public Defender for Colfax County, and he has held that position for the past nine years. Mr. Svoboda is also a member of the Nebraska State Bar Association, Omaha Bar Association and the Nebraska Criminal Defense Attorneys Association.

The law firm of Gross & Welch was founded in 1927 by Daniel J. Gross. The firm includes the following practice areas: civil litigation, business law, insurance law, estate planning and probate, real estate, and workers' compensation. More information about the firm can be found at [www.grosswelch.com](http://www.grosswelch.com).

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