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Choate Elevates Six to Principal in 2025

Six Choate attorneys – Melissa Adams, Leila Cetrone, Jill Gately, Emily Miller, Margo Monroe, and Matt Mortensen – have been elected as principals, effective May 1, 2025.

Melissa Adams, PhD | As Principal in the Intellectual Property Group, Melissa represents a wide range of early-stage to established biotechnology and pharmaceutical clients to grow and protect the value of their strategic IP portfolios, with particular expertise in biologics, cell therapy, gene therapy, gene editing, and immunology.

Leila Cetrone | As Principal in the Finance and Restructuring Group, Leila handles complex financial transactions for banks and institutional investors, borrowers, and issuers in a full range of complex financial transactions, including asset-based, cash flow and other secured and unsecured credit facilities to companies in a variety of industries, including retail, technology, sports and healthcare.

Jill Gately | As Principal in the Intellectual Property Litigation Group, Jill draws on her past experience as a Special Assistant District Attorney with the Suffolk County District Attorney's Office to represent a broad range of pharmaceutical, biotechnology and technology clients in complex commercial disputes, internal investigations, and in conducting pre-litigation analyses.

Emily Miller | As Principal in the Intellectual Property Litigation Group, Emily represents and advises leading biotech, pharmaceutical, and technology companies in complex intellectual property and commercial disputes, including patent litigation, trade secrets litigation, and internal investigations.

Margo Monroe, PhD | As Principal in the Intellectual Property Group, Margo counsels start-ups, private and public companies, venture capitalists, and world-class academic research institutions in a wide range of technologies at the intersection of life sciences and engineering, with an emphasis on engineered cell or gene-editing based therapies, diagnostics, and targeted delivery technologies.

Matt Mortensen | As Principal in the Real Estate Group, Matt represents real estate owners, developers, and investors in connection with the acquisition, disposition, and development of office, laboratory, retail, industrial, and luxury residential real estate, and in commercial leasing matters and complex financing transactions secured by real estate.

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