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**National Watermelon Association Announces Partnership with JPH Law Firm to Support Members on Labor Policy & Compliance**

**Austin, TX** – The **National Watermelon Association (NWA)** is proud to announce a new partnership with **JPH Law Firm**, establishing an ongoing resource to help NWA members navigate the complexities of H-2A and other labor policies, laws, and regulations.

Labor challenges continue to be one of the most pressing concerns for the agricultural industry, particularly as regulatory requirements evolve. This partnership ensures that NWA members have direct access to reliable legal counsel to help them remain compliant and informed.

"This partnership with JPH Law Firm represents a major step forward in our efforts to support our members in one of the most critical areas of their business," said **George Szczepanski, Executive Director of NWA**. "Navigating labor laws—especially H-2A regulations—can be overwhelming, and having a trusted expert just a phone call away will be an invaluable resource for our industry."

**Shawn Packer, Principal Member at JPH Law Firm**, expressed his enthusiasm for the collaboration, stating, "We are thrilled to partner with the National Watermelon Association to offer direct legal support to its members. The agricultural labor landscape is complex and constantly changing, and our goal is to provide NWA members with the clarity and confidence they need to successfully manage their workforce. We look forward to working together to ensure they have the guidance and support necessary to thrive."

Through this partnership, NWA members will be able to connect with JPH Law Firm for expert insights, compliance strategies, and solutions tailored to their specific labor concerns, reinforcing the Association's commitment to delivering real, practical value to its members.

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**About NWA:** Since 1914, the National Watermelon Association (NWA) has been the voice of the watermelon industry in the U.S. NWA's hundreds of members represent the watermelon industry, including growers, shippers, and key suppliers. With a strong presence in over 30 states, Canada, and Mexico, and bolstered by regional chapters across the United States, NWA's purpose is to advocate for the watermelon industry's holistic well-being, from production to consumption. Learn more at [www.watermelon.ag](http://www.watermelon.ag).



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