



Best Lawyers in America 2020 Names 72 Lathrop Gage Attorneys; 13 Lawyers of the Year

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The Best Lawyers in America announced its 2020 rankings today, naming 72 Lathrop Gage attorneys as Best Lawyers. A personal best for the firm, 13 of those named also received the coveted Lawyer of the Year title, with William F. Ford receiving the title for the second year in a row.

Best Lawyers rankings are compiled from millions of peer reviews within the legal community to highlight contemporaries exhibiting especially noteworthy professional excellence. The recognized Lathrop Gage attorneys span all of the firm's 10 offices.

Lawyer of the Year is an additional designation for those attorneys who scored highest within specific practice areas and metropolitan regions.

Lawyers of the Year:

- Michael J. Abrams - Litigation - Insurance (Kansas City, Missouri)
- William G. Beck - Environmental Law (Kansas City, Missouri)
- R. Scott Beeler - Litigation - Insurance (Overland Park, Kansas)
- James B. Betterman - Trusts and Estates (Overland Park, Kansas)
- Peter F. Daniel - Mass Tort Litigation/Class Action - Defendants (Kansas City, Missouri)
- William F. Ford - Litigation - Environmental (Kansas City, Missouri)
- Brian C. Fries - Litigation - Banking and Finance (Kansas City, Missouri)
- R. Cameron Garrison - Litigation - Intellectual Property (Kansas City, Missouri)
- Brian Holland - Litigation - Bankruptcy (Kansas City, Missouri)
- Scott H. Malin - Closely Held Companies and Family Business Law (St. Louis, Missouri)
- Bernard Rhodes - Litigation - First Amendment (Kansas City, Missouri)
- R. Kent Sellers - Appellate Practice (Kansas City, Missouri)
- Alison E. Zinn - Elder Law (Denver)



Best Lawyers:

Boston

Giulio A. DeConti - Biotechnology and Life Sciences Practice, Patent Law, Trademark Law

Boulder, Colorado

Curtis A. Vock - Patent Law

Chicago

Steven Graham - Banking and Finance Law, Real Estate Law

Dallas

Robert E. Thackston - Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions - Defendants

Denver

Douglas J. Traeger - Litigation - Trusts and Estates

Leia G. Ursery - Litigation - Trusts and Estates, Trusts and Estates

Alison E. Zinn - Elder Law, Trusts and Estates

Jefferson City, Missouri

Jennifer S. Griffin - Administrative/Regulatory Law, Commercial Litigation

Kurt U. Schaefer - Environmental Law

David A. Shorr - Environmental Law, Natural Resources Law

Kansas City, Missouri

Michael J. Abrams - Commercial Litigation, Insurance Law, Litigation - Insurance, Litigation - Real Estate, Mass Tort Litigation/Class Actions - Defendants, Trade Secrets Law

Robyn L. Anderson - Commercial Litigation

William G. Beck - Commercial Litigation, Environmental Law, Insurance Law, Litigation - Environmental

Richard N. Bien - Commercial Litigation, Insurance Law, Litigation - Banking and Finance, Litigation - ERISA



Mark A. Bluhm - Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law

Jean Paul Bradshaw II - Commercial Litigation, Criminal Defense: White-Collar, Health Care Law, Mass Tort Litigation/Class Action - Defendants

John "Jack" C. Craft - Government Relations Practice, Real Estate Law

Don F. Dagenais - Real Estate Law

Peter F. Daniel - Commercial Litigation, Mass Tort Litigation/Class Actions - Defendants

J.A. "Jay" Felton - Product Liability Litigation - Defendants

William F. Ford - Environmental Law, Litigation - Environmental

Brian C. Fries - Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Banking and Finance

Cameron Garrison - Litigation - Intellectual Property

Gretchen M. Gold - Trusts and Estates

Jennifer M. Hannah - Commercial Litigation, Construction Law

Robert J. Haupt - Litigation - Bankruptcy, Litigation - Land Use and Zoning

Russell Headrick - Commercial Litigation, Insurance Law, Litigation - ERISA, Litigation - First Amendment, Medical Malpractice Law - Defendants

Brian M. Holland - Litigation - Bankruptcy

Tedrick A. Housh III - Employment Law - Management, Litigation - Labor and Employment

Gregory B. Kuhn - Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law

Thomas J. McMahon - Tax Law

Rosalee M. McNamara - Employment Law - Management, Labor Law - Management

Joseph W. Medved - Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law

Stephen G. Mitchell - Real Estate Law

James L. Moeller - Litigation - Environmental



Charles F. Myers - Health Care Law

Maurice J. O'Sullivan, Jr. - Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law, Trusts and Estates

Bernard J. Rhodes - First Amendment Law, Litigation - First Amendment

Richard D. Rhyne - Construction Law, Litigation - Construction

Jerry D. Riffel - Gaming Law, Land Use and Zoning Law, Real Estate Law

Bridget B. Romero - Litigation - Labor and Employment

Nancy Schmidt Roush - Closely Held Companies and Family Businesses Law, Trusts and Estates

Jack D. Rowe - Employment Law - Management, Labor Law - Management, Litigation - Labor and Employment

Thomas A. Ryan - Environmental Law, Litigation - Environmental

Kent Sellers - Appellate Practice

Thomas H. Stahl - Banking and Finance Law, Financial Services Regulation Law

Carl W. Struby - Corporate Compliance Law, Corporate Law, Securities/Capital Markets Law

Michel A. Thompson - Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law

Joel B. Voran - Trusts and Estates

Kimberly K. Winter - Insurance Law

Brian N. Woolley - Employment Law - Management, Labor Law - Management

Rebecca "Beckie" S. Yocum - Employment Law - Individuals, Employment Law - Management, Litigation - Labor and Employment

Los Angeles

Nancy Sher Cohen - Insurance Law

Overland Park, Kansas

Scott Beeler - Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Construction, Litigation - Land Use and Zoning, Litigation - Real Estate



James B. Betterman - Litigation - Trusts and Estates, Trusts and Estates

Peter W. Brown - Trusts and Estates

Courtney M. Conrad - Trusts and Estates

Larry B. Huebner - Land Use and Zoning Law, Real Estate Law

Alson R. Martin - Corporate Law, Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law, Tax Law

Lyle D. Pishny - Corporate Law, Tax Law, Trusts and Estates

Randal L. Schultz - Health Care Law

Curtis L. Tideman - Commercial Litigation, Education Law

David E. Waters - Construction Law, Land Use and Zoning Law, Municipal Law, Real Estate Law

Harry E. Wigner, Jr. - Corporate Law, Real Estate Law

St. Louis, Missouri

Wendi Alper-Pressman - Banking and Finance Law, Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law

Janice E. Hetland - Real Estate Law

Bennett S. Keller - Closely Held Companies and Family Business Law, Corporate Law, Tax Law, Trusts and Estates

Scott H. Malin - Closely Held Companies and Family Business Law, Trusts and Estates

Jared M. Minkoff - Real Estate Law, Tax Law

Christopher T. Pierce - Real Estate Law

Colleen McNitt Ruiz - Real Estate Law

Jason M. Schwent - Patent Law

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