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NEWS

## American Lawyer Industry Awards and Litigation Departments of the Year Finalists Announced



Finalists are named across categories including Best Firm of the Year, Managing Partner of the Year, Business Team of the Year, Young Lawyers of the Year and much more.



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Awards

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It's that time of year again to announce the finalists of The American Lawyer Industry Awards along with finalists in our Litigation Departments of the Year contest.

These individuals and institutions will be honored at our annual gala [Nov. 15 at Ciprianis in New York City](#), where we will also announce the winners in each category. Be on the lookout for updates in coming weeks when we name our Lifetime Achievement and Law Firm Distinguished Leader honorees and the finalists for Attorney of the Year.

This year's finalists represent the best of the best across all of what the profession holds dear. From excellence in legal acumen to excellence in legal service; from diversity and corporate purpose initiatives to mentoring and collaboration; from client service enhancements to technological innovation, these awards are meant to honor historic tenets of the profession along with its promise of continued evolution for the better.

Our judging team of senior editors and reporters across our global newsroom spent weeks pouring through more than 700 submissions to narrow down the list to those you see below. It is our great pleasure to honor these individuals, initiatives and institutions and continue to hold a light up to the great impact this industry can have on the world around it.

# **The American Lawyer Industry Award Finalists**

## **Best Business Team**

- Eversheds' Key Account Program
- Frost Brown Todd
- Honigman
- Latham & Watkins
- Morgan, Lewis & Bockius
- Norton Rose Fulbright
- Troutman Pepper

## **Best Client-Law Firm Team**

- Eversheds Sutherland and Meta GLPIM
- Sullivan & Cromwell and Volkswagen
- King & Spalding and Blackstone Credit
- Dechert and Flo Health
- Kirkland & Ellis and Huntsman
- Spencer Fane and JBS Foods
- Morgan, Lewis & Bockius and DaVita Inc.
- Ropes & Gray and TPG Capital

## **Best Diversity Initiative**

- O'Melveny & Myers
- Finnegan
- Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher
- Latham & Watkins and Yale Law School Launchpad Scholars Program
- Nixon Peabody
- WilmerHale

## **Best Law Firm of the Year**

- Holland & Knight
- Husch Blackwell
- King & Spalding
- O'Melveny & Myers
- Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan
- Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom
- Spencer Fane
- Susman Godfrey

## **Best Mentor: Law Firm**

- Senayt Rahwa, Foley & Lardner
- Shari Klevens, Dentons
- Katya Jestin, Jenner & Block
- Ernest Greer, Greenberg Traurig
- Carrie Cohen, Morrison & Foerster
- Ron Machen, WilmerHale
- George Keith Martin, McGuireWoods

## **Best Provider Collaboration**

- DaVita Trial Team: Morgan, Lewis & Bockius; McDermott Will & Emery; WilmerHale; Winston & Strawn; Fish & Richardson; and King & Spalding
- IncuBaker of Baker Hostetler and Relativity
- Latham & Watkins and Andreessen Horowitz
- DLA Piper, The Association of Women Judges and Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson

### **Best Use of Technology**

- Berry Appleman & Leiden
- Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner
- Eversheds Sutherland
- Baker McKenzie
- Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison
- Foley & Lardner
- Reed Smith
- Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati

### **Corporate Purpose Award**

- Ballard Spahr
- Davis Wright Tremaine
- Latham & Watkins
- McGuireWoods
- Morrison & Foerster
- Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom
- Ropes & Gray
- WilmerHale

### **Legal Services Innovation Award**

- Akin
- Debevoise & Plimpton
- Faegre Drinker
- Fragomen
- McGuireWoods
- Norton Rose Fulbright
- WilmerHale

### **Managing Partner of the Year**

- Steven Sonberg, Holland & Knight
- Brad Karp, Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison
- John C. Hueston, Hueston Hennigan
- Robert Hays of King & Spalding
- Barbara Becker of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher

### **The Tony Mauro Award (Winners)**

- The New York Times
- Covington & Burling

### **Young Lawyer of the Year—Beyond Practice**

- Ronak Desai, Paul Hastings
- Alicia Grant, Norton Rose Fulbright;
- Caitlin Halpern, Gibbs & Bruns
- Tom R. Pack, Greenberg Traurig

- Erika Simonson, Schulte Roth & Zabel
- Colleen Smith, Stris & Maher
- Patrick Yingling, Reed Smith

### **Young Lawyer of the Year—Litigation**

- Lara Samet Buchwald, Davis Polk
- Rose Ehler, Munger Tolles & Olson
- Alex Iftimie, Morrison & Forester
- Joseph Mahady, Reed Smith
- Jimmy McEntee, Hogan Lovells
- Morgan Ratner, Sullivan & Cromwell
- Brian Schnapp, Vinson & Elkins
- Camille Vasquez, Brown Rudnick

### **Young Lawyer of the Year—Corporate**

- Joseph Armenti, Cole Schotz
- Anne Barrett, Willkie, Farr & Gallagher
- Dohyun Kim, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom
- Jake Kling, Wachtell Lipton Rosen & Katz
- Saeed Muzumdar, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher
- Emily Oldshue, Ropes & Gray
- Amanda Rose, Fenwick & West

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## **The Litigation Department of the Year Finalists**

### **Litigators of the Year**

- Adam Hakki, Shearman & Sterling
- Neal Katyal, Hogan Lovells
- Enu Mainigi, Williams & Connolly
- David Marriott, Cravath, Swaine & Moore
- Craig Primis, Kirkland & Ellis
- William Savitt, Wachtell Lipton Rosen & Katz
- Will Stute, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe
- Herbert Washer, Cahill Gordon & Reindel

### **General Litigation Department of the Year Category**

- Covington & Burling
- Cravath, Swaine & Moore
- Kirkland & Ellis
- Latham & Watkins
- Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe
- Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan
- Williams & Connolly

### **Specialty Category—Financial Services**

- Dentons
- Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison
- Simpson Thacher & Bartlett
- Sullivan & Cromwell

## **Specialty Category—Products Liability**

- Covington & Burling
- King & Spalding
- Reed Smith
- Shook Hardy & Bacon
- Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom

## **Specialty Category—Intellectual Property**

- Cooley
- Fish & Richardson
- Irell & Manella
- Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe
- WilmerHale

## **National Boutique/Specialty Litigation Firm of the Year**

- Bartlit Beck
- Bird Marella
- BraunHagey & Borden
- Finnegan
- Hueston Hennigan
- Irell & Manella
- Susman Godfrey

## **Regional Litigation Department of the Year—California**

- Jones Day
- O’Melveny & Myers
- Sidley Austin

## **Regional Litigation Department of the Year—Florida**

- Boies Schiller Flexner
- Greenberg Traurig
- Marshall Dennehey Warner Coleman & Goggin

## **Regional Litigation Department of the Year—Georgia**

- King & Spalding
- Alston & Bird

## **Regional Litigation Department of the Year—New Jersey**

- Marshall Dennehey Warner Coleman & Goggin
- McCarter & English

## **Regional Litigation Department of the Year—Pennsylvania**

- Cozen O’Connor
- Morgan, Lewis & Bockius
- Reed Smith

## **Regional Litigation Department of the Year—Texas**

- Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld
- Gibson Dunn & Crutcher

- Sidley Austin
- Susman Godfrey
- Winston & Strawn

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