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2022 U.S. News – Best Lawyers® "Best Law Firms" Awards Released

AUGUSTA, Ga., November 4, 2021 — [Best Lawyers®](#) and [U.S. News & World Report](#) for the 12th consecutive year, collaboratively announce the release of the *U.S. News – Best Lawyers® "Best Law Firms"* rankings.

“For over three decades, U.S. News has provided the public with accurate and in-depth rankings on key institutions in society from higher education to hospitals and health systems,” says Morgan Felchner, executive editor at U.S. News. “Law firms serve a critical role in American life and ranking them is a key extension of our overall mission to help individuals make important life decisions.”

Firms included in the 2022 edition of *U.S. News – Best Lawyers® "Best Law Firms"* are recognized for professional excellence with consistently impressive ratings from clients and peers. To be eligible for a ranking, a firm must first have a lawyer recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America®*, which recognizes 6% of lawyers practicing in the United States.

“We are proud that ‘Best Law Firms’ rankings continuously act as a top marker of distinction throughout the legal industry,” says Phil Greer, CEO of Best Lawyers. “The evaluation process for the 2022 ‘Best Law Firms’ publication has remained just as rigorous and discerning as it was when we created the publication 12 years ago.”

Achieving a tiered ranking in *U.S. News – Best Lawyers® "Best Law Firms"* signals a unique combination of quality law practice and breadth of legal expertise. Ranked firms, presented in three tiers, are recognized on a national and regional-based scale. Firms that received a tier designation reflect the highest level of respect a firm can earn among other leading lawyers and clients from the same communities and practice areas. Additionally, one "Law Firm of the Year" was named in each nationally ranked practice area.

The 2022 rankings incorporate more than 8.2 million evaluations of more than 115,000 individual leading lawyers from more than 22,000 firms. More than 2,000 firms received a national law firm ranking this year.

National and metropolitan Tier 1 rankings will be featured in the physical edition of *U.S. News – Best Lawyers® "Best Law Firms"*, which will be distributed to more than 30,000 in-house counsels.

The 2022 *U.S. News – Best Lawyers® "Best Law Firms"* publication can be viewed [online here](#) and rankings can be viewed in their entirety by visiting bestlawfirms.usnews.com.

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Lawyers who are nominated for consideration are voted on by currently recognized Best Lawyers working in the same practice area and located in the same geographic region. Our awards and recognitions are based purely on the feedback we receive from these top lawyers. Those who receive high peer reviews undergo a thorough verification process to make sure they are currently still in private practice. Only then can these top lawyers be recognized by Best Lawyers.

ABOUT "BEST LAW FIRMS"

The *U.S. News – Best Lawyers®* "Best Law Firms" rankings are based on a rigorous evaluation process that includes the collection of client and lawyer evaluations, peer review from leading attorneys in the field and review of additional information provided by law firms as part of the formal submission process. To be eligible for a 2022 ranking, a law firm must have at least one lawyer recognized in the 28th edition of *The Best Lawyers in America®* list for that particular location and specialty.

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