

## Press Release

# Record Number of Akerman Lawyers Across the United States Named to *The Best Lawyers in America* 2023 Guide

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Top 100 U.S. law firm Akerman LLP is pleased to announce that a record 276 lawyers across the United States have been named to *The Best Lawyers in America* 2023 list in 77 areas of law, including 77 lawyers named as “Ones to Watch.” Additionally, *Best Lawyers* named seven Akerman partners to the 2023 Lawyer of the Year list, an honor bestowed on only one lawyer per practice area in each major market in the United States.

Among the *Best Lawyers of the Year* honorees are Eric A. Gordon for Litigation - Labor and Employment (West Palm Beach); Teddy Klinghoffer for Corporate Governance Law (Miami); D. Brett Marks for Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law (Fort Lauderdale) and Litigation Bankruptcy (Fort Lauderdale); Michael P. McMahon for Litigation - Land Use and Zoning (Orlando); Robyn D. Neely for Environmental Law (Orlando); Lawrence P. Rochefort Bet-the-Company Litigation (West Palm Beach); and Gary A. Whitlock for Banking and Finance Law (Orlando).

The annual *Best Lawyers* list is based on peer review surveys in which more than 100,000 leading lawyers cast nearly 13 million votes on the legal abilities of their peers in their practice areas.

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## Related Work

- Appellate
- Bankruptcy and Reorganization
- Cannabis
- Capital Markets
- Commercial Disputes
- Construction
- Consumer Financial Services, Data and Technology (CFS+)
- Corporate
- Corporate Governance
- Employee Benefits and Executive Compensation
- Energy and Infrastructure
- Environment and Natural Resources
- Franchise and Licensing
- Government Affairs and Public Policy
- Healthcare
- Higher Education and Collegiate Athletics
- Immigration Planning and Compliance
- Insurance Litigation
- Intellectual Property
- International Litigation and Arbitration
- International Trade and Customs

## Individual Lawyer Rankings:

- David P. Ackerman, West Palm Beach: Arbitration, Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Securities, Legal Malpractice Law – Defendants
- Sergio E. Acosta, Chicago: Commercial Litigation
- Silvia M. Alderman, Tallahassee: Environmental Law, Litigation – Environmental
- Marcy Levine Aldrich, Miami: Insurance Law
- Scott E. Allbright, Jr., Miami: Commercial Litigation, Insurance Law, Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions - Defendants – Ones to Watch
- Kelly E. Almeter, Dallas: Commercial Litigation – Ones to Watch
- Richard Alvarez, Tampa: Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants
- Marissa R. Amuial, Miami: Land Use and Zoning Law – Ones to Watch
- Jacqueline M. Arango, Miami: Litigation - Regulatory Enforcement (SEC, Telecom, Energy)
- Jeffrey P. Armstrong, Chicago: Patent Law
- William C. Arnholds, Miami: Banking and Finance Law, Corporate Law
- Santiago Assalini, Miami: Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Leveraged Buyouts and Private Equity Law – Ones to Watch
- Jonathan L. Awner, Miami: Corporate Governance Law, Corporate Law, International Mergers and Acquisitions, Leveraged Buyouts and Private Equity Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Securities / Capital Markets Law, Securities Regulation
- Michael D. Bailkin, New York: Land Use and Zoning Law
- Nathan N. Balint, Orlando: Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Venture Capital Law

Labor and Employment  
Land Use and Development  
M&A and Private Equity  
Oil & Gas:  
Environmental  
Patent Litigation  
Public Finance  
Real Estate  
Securities Litigation  
Tax  
Trademarks  
Trusts and Estates  
White Collar Crime and Government Investigations

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## Related Offices

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Denver  
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Los Angeles  
Madison  
Miami  
Naples  
New Orleans  
New York  
Orlando  
Salt Lake City  
San Antonio  
Tallahassee  
Tampa  
Washington, D.C.  
West Palm Beach  
Winston-Salem

- Aleksas A. Barauskas, Jacksonville: Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Banking and Finance
- Nicholas J. Barshel, Miami: Land Use and Zoning Law, Real Estate Law – Ones to Watch
- Robert Barkin, West Palm Beach: Real Estate Law
- Taylor Beaver, San Antonio: Insurance Law – Ones to Watch
- Zoe Bekas, Los Angeles: Labor and Employment Law – Management – Ones to Watch
- Martin D. Beirne, Houston: Commercial Litigation, Energy Law, Oil and Gas Law
- Eyal Berger, Fort Lauderdale: Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Litigation - Bankruptcy
- Mark J. Bernet, Tampa: Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships), Litigation – Bankruptcy
- William J. Bernfeld, Los Angeles: Real Estate Law
- Joshua D. Bernstein, New York: Litigation – Real Estate, Leisure and Hospitality Law
- Mark Bernstein, Chicago: Commercial Litigation
- Raymond J. Berti, New York: Labor and Employment Law - Management – Ones to Watch
- Joel D. Bertocchi, Chicago: Appellate Practice, Criminal Defense: White-Collar
- Richard Bezold, Miami: Real Estate Law
- Brian Bianco, Chicago: Litigation – Intellectual Property
- Jarrett D. Bingemann, Orlando: Real Estate Law
- David F. Birke, Miami: Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Leveraged Buyouts and Private Equity Law
- David C. Blum, Chicago: Tax Law, Litigation and Controversy – Tax
- Rick Gene Boepple, Jr., Houston: Commercial Litigation, Insurance Law – Ones to Watch

- Stacy Bercun Bohm, Fort Lauderdale: Construction Law
- Cecelia Bonifay, Orlando: Environmental Law, Land Use and Zoning Law, Real Estate Law
- Robert W. Bowser, Orlando: Real Estate Law
- James S. Bramnick, Miami: Employment Law – Management, Labor Law – Management, Litigation - Labor and Employment
- Brittanie Browning, Atlanta: Education Law, Government Relations Practice
- Karen M. Buesing, Tampa: Employment Law – Management, Litigation – Labor and Employment
- Kamber Burke, Atlanta: Insurance Law – Ones to Watch
- Martin G. Burkett, Miami: Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Leveraged Buyouts and Private Equity Law
- Jeremy Burnette, Atlanta: Health Care Law
- John P. Campo, New York: Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- Daniel Cardenal, Miami: Financial Services Regulation Law – Ones to Watch
- Hunter B. Carpenter, Atlanta: Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law – Ones to Watch
- Rebekah A. Carpenter, Chicago: Financial Services Regulation Law – Ones to Watch
- Christopher S. Carver, Miami: Commercial Litigation
- Luis R. Casas Meyer, Miami: Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law – Ones to Watch
- Maria I. Casablanca, Miami: Immigration Law
- Ruben Castillo, Chicago: Commercial Litigation, Criminal Defense – White Collar
- Edgard Cespedes, Miami: Insurance Law – Ones to Watch

- Robert I. Chaskes, West Palm Beach: Commercial Litigation
- Michael B. Chavies, Miami: Commercial Litigation
- Janis K. Cheezem, Miami: Real Estate Law
- Geoffrey C. Cheney, Miami: Corporate Law
- Peter A. Chiabotti, West Palm Beach: Trademark Law
- Ginny Childs, Orlando: Commercial Litigation
- Patrick T. Christiansen, Orlando: Banking and Finance Law
- Melissa L. Cizmorris, Denver: Litigation – Labor and Employment – Ones to Watch
- Dana Clayton, Miami: Litigation – Real Estate
- Dale A. Cohen, New York: Franchise Law
- Jules S. Cohen, Orlando: Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Litigation- Bankruptcy
- Paul Collins, New York: Trusts and Estates
- Gerald B. Cope, Jr., Miami: Appellate Practice, Bet-the-Company Litigation
- Nancy A. Copperthwaite, Miami: Appellate Practice, Insurance Law
- Spencer Crowley, Miami: Real Estate Law
- Peter L. Dame, Jacksonville: Municipal Law, Public Finance Law
- Daphna Davidovits, Los Angeles: Real Estate Law – Ones to Watch
- Aileen S. Davis, Tampa: Banking and Finance Law, Real Estate Law
- J. Riley Davis, Tallahassee: Administrative / Regulatory Law, Appellate Practice
- Kirk S. Davis, Tampa: Health Care Law, Litigation - Health Care, Medical Malpractice Law - Defendants
- Megan Costa DeLeon, Orlando: Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Banking and Finance

- John L. Dicks, Tampa: Litigation – Trusts and Estates
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- Brenden Dougherty, Atlanta: Insurance Law, Transportation Law – Ones to Watch
- Ana C. Dowell, Atlanta: Labor and Employment Law – Management, Litigation – Labor and Employment
- Christopher S. Duke, West Palm Beach: Employment Law – Management, Litigation – Labor and Employment
- R. Martin Dungan, Dallas: Financial Services Regulation Law – Ones to Watch
- Ashlea A. Edwards, Jacksonville: Labor and Employment Law – Management, Litigation – Labor and Employment – Ones to Watch
- William D. Ellis, Los Angeles: Real Estate Law
- Nicholas J. Erickson, Denver: Litigation – Labor and Employment – Ones to Watch
- Eduardo S. Espinosa, Dallas: Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- Paul Etori, Orlando: Financial Services Regulation
- Andrew Felts, Winston-Salem: Real Estate Law
- Alejandro J. Fernandez, Tampa: Litigation – Intellectual Property, Litigation – Patent, Trade Secrets Law
- Angelica C. Fortney, Miami: Tax Law – Ones to Watch



- Joseph E. Foster, Orlando: Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Banking and Finance, Litigation – Bankruptcy, Litigation – Real Estate, Mortgage Banking Foreclosure Law
- Jed Freeland, Orlando: Corporate Law
- Dean Freitag, Miami: Commercial Finance Law
- Pedro A. Freyre, Miami: International Mergers and Acquisitions
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- Amy Moor Gaylord, Chicago: Employment Law - Management
- Joanne Gelfand, Miami: Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Litigation – Bankruptcy
- Evelina Gentry, Los Angeles: Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law – Ones to Watch
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- John J. George, Chicago: Litigation – Land Use and Zoning, Litigation – Real Estate, Real Estate Law
- Neda Ghomeshi, Fort Lauderdale: Commercial Litigation – Ones to Watch
- Katherine Eastmoore Giddings, Tallahassee: Appellate Practice, Bet-the-Company Litigation
- Jeffrey G. Gilmore, Washington, D.C.: Commercial Litigation, Construction Law, Litigation – Construction, Mediation
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- Eric A. Gordon, West Palm Beach: Litigation – Labor and Employment
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- Octavia Green, Atlanta: Commercial Litigation – Ones to Watch
- Darryl R. Graham, New York: Commercial Litigation
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- Steven Grigas, Tallahassee: Health Care Law, Litigation – Health Care, Administrative/Regulatory Law
- Amanda Gunter, Orlando: Commercial Litigation – Ones to Watch
- Laura P. Guzmán, Orlando: Financial Services Law Regulation – Ones to Watch
- Gary J. Guzzi, Miami: Insurance Law, Litigation-Insurance



- Sahar Hakakian, New York: Real Estate law – Ones to Watch
- Alexander Hall, Miami: Commercial Litigation – Ones to Watch
- Philip J. Harris, Tampa: Employment Law - Management, Labor Law - Management, Litigation - Labor and Employment
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- Christy Hawkins, Dallas: Commercial Litigation – Ones to Watch
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- Ross Heft, Fort Lauderdale: Construction Law and Real Estate Law – Ones to Watch
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- Tiffany Hendricks, Fort Lauderdale: Litigation – Labor and Employment, Labor and Employment – Management – Ones to Watch
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- Robert A. Leapley, Jr., Jacksonville: Real Estate Law
- Amanda Leech, Atlanta: Corporate Governance Law, Mergers and Acquisitions
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- Matthew Lindsey, Dallas: Banking and Finance Law, Financial Services Regulation Law – Ones to Watch
- John Loar, Tallahassee: Commercial Litigation – Ones to Watch
- John B. Macdonald, Jacksonville: Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Banking and Finance, Litigation – Bankruptcy, Litigation – Real Estate, Litigation – Trusts and Estates
- Kristofer Machado, Chicago: Real Estate Law – Ones to Watch

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- Denise Gavica Perez, Miami: Employment Law – Management
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- Marci K. Poliakoff, Miami: Tax Law
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- Robert M. Poppell, Orlando: Real Estate Law
- James J. Porter, Tampa: Real Estate Law
- Stacey Prince-Troutman, Orlando: Trusts and Estates
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- Brenda Radmacher, Los Angeles: Construction Law
- Thomas A. Range, Tallahassee: Health Care Law
- Eric D. Rapkin, Fort Lauderdale: Real Estate Law
- Joseph L. Rebak, Miami: Commercial Litigation

- Todd Reed, Austin: Corporate Law
- Riya Resheidat, Orlando: Commercial Litigation – Ones to Watch
- Edward L. Ristaino, Fort Lauderdale: Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Sports Law
- John Roache, Chicago: Employment Law - Management
- Andrew S. Robins, Boca Raton: Leisure and Hospitality Law, Real Estate Law
- Lawrence P. Rochefort, West Palm Beach: Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Banking and Finance, Litigation – Real Estate
- Stephen K. Roddenberry, Miami: Corporate Governance Law, Corporate Law, International Mergers and Acquisitions, Leveraged Buyouts and Private Equity Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Private Funds / Hedge Funds Law, Securities / Capital Markets Law
- Christopher P. Roper, Orlando: Land Use and Zoning Law
- Scott W. Rostock, Fort Lauderdale: Litigation – Construction, Litigation - Real Estate
- David J. Rosen, Orlando: Tax Law – Ones to Watch
- Jessica Bober Rosenthal, West Palm Beach: Commercial Litigation – Ones to Watch
- Carl D. Roston, Miami: Corporate Law, International Mergers and Acquisitions, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Securities / Capital Markets Law, Venture Capital Law
- Max Rudolf, Fort Lauderdale: Commercial Litigation – Ones to Watch
- Janice L. Russell, Miami: Real Estate Law
- Christina C. Russo, Miami: Corporate Law
- Peter E. Salomon, Miami: Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law
- Mary Samsa, Chicago: Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law



- Jaclyn Scarinci, New York: Real Estate Law – Ones to Watch
- Philip B. Schwartz, Fort Lauderdale: Corporate Law
- Bryan G. Scott, Winston-Salem: Construction Law, Litigation - Construction
- Tracy Segal, West Palm Beach: Commercial Litigation, Appellate Practice – Ones to Watch
- Timothy Sendek, Chicago: Litigation – Intellectual Property
- L. Joseph Shaheen, Jr., Tampa: Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Banking and Finance, Litigation – Construction, Litigation - Real Estate
- Owen J. Shean, Washington, D.C.: Construction Law, Litigation - Construction
- Mark Shutt, Houston: Commercial Litigation – Ones to Watch
- Scott T. Silverman, Tampa: Employment Law – Management, Labor Law – Management, Litigation - Labor and Employment
- Robert E. Slavkin, Orlando: FDA Law
- Phillip M. Slinkard, Austin: Corporate Law, Securities / Capital Markets Law
- Grasford W. Smith, West Palm Beach: Commercial Litigation
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- Frank St. Jacques, New York: Land Use and Zoning Law – Ones to Watch
- Elliot Strader, Dallas: Insurance Law
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- John Thompson, Washington, D.C.: Litigation - Bankruptcy
- Stephen K. Tilbrook, Fort Lauderdale: Real Estate Law, Land Use and Zoning Law
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- Carmen I. Tugender, Fort Lauderdale: Commercial Litigation – Ones to Watch
- George Volsky, Miami: Arbitration, International Arbitration – Commercial, Commercial Litigation
- Alaina Wallace, Orlando: Tax Law – Ones to Watch
- Scott Wasserman, Miami: Corporate Law, Leveraged Buyouts and Private Equity Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- Elissa Weiss, Fort Lauderdale: Real Estate Law – Ones to Watch
- Sidney S. Welch, Atlanta: Health Care Law
- Bryan T. West, Miami: Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Securities, Arbitration
- Gary A. Whitlock, Orlando: Banking and Finance Law, Commercial Finance Law, Commercial Transactions / UCC Law, Real Estate Law
- Bruce Wiener, Tallahassee: Real Estate Law
- Joyce C. Williams, Denver: Litigation – Construction, Litigation Banking and Finance, Commercial Litigation – Ones to Watch
- Kenneth R. Wiggins, Miami: Corporate Law, Real Estate Law, Litigation – Bankruptcy
- Steven Wirth, Tampa: Litigation - Bankruptcy

- Kenway Wong, Orlando: Litigation – Real Estate, Litigation – Construction – Ones to Watch
- Lilith V. Xara, Las Vegas: Financial Services Regulation Law – Ones to Watch
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