

Press Release

71 Akerman Real Estate Lawyers 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 71 of the lawyers in its Real Estate Practice Group are among the record 276 Akerman lawyers named to *The Best Lawyers in America* 2023 list.

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.

The Akerman real estate lawyers, led by *Best Lawyers of the Year* honoree Eric Rapkin (Fort Lauderdale) in the Real Estate Law category, make up one of the largest legal real estate teams in the United States, with nearly 150 lawyers and development professionals serving investors, developers, builders, lenders, retailers, owners, and corporate end users throughout all 50 states and across Latin America. With substantial industry experience and local market insights, the lawyers represent clients in complex real estate transactions and financings, development and redevelopment projects, public-private initiatives, and litigation.

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