

Press Release

Akerman Earns Record Rankings in 2026 *Chambers USA Guide*

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Akerman has earned a record 78 individual attorney rankings and 33 practice rankings in the 2026 *Chambers USA Guide*, the world's preeminent legal ranking publication. It is the firm's strongest showing in the Guide to date, reflecting the breadth and versatility clients expect from Akerman.

This year's results reflect strength across the firm's national platform. Akerman earned nationwide rankings in Cannabis Law, Construction, Franchising, Leisure & Hospitality, and Real Estate. Recognitions extend across the country, including Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Texas, and New York.

Chambers and Partners bases its rankings on thousands of in-depth interviews with clients and peers each year — one of the most rigorous and independent research processes in the legal profession. Every ranking is a direct reflection of client experience.

The following Akerman attorneys were recognized in the 2026 *Chambers USA Guide*:

Cannabis Law: Eastern United States
Jonathan Robbins (USA – Nationwide)

Cannabis Law: Western United States
Joshua Mandell (USA – Nationwide)

Related People

David P. Ackerman
Sergio E. Acosta
Beth Alcalde
Silvia M. Alderman
Marcy Levine Aldrich
William C. Arnhols
Jonathan L. Awner
Nathan N. Balint
Stacy Bercun Bohm
Eyal Berger
Joshua D. Bernstein
Joel D. Bertocchi
David F. Birke
David C. Blum
Michael J. Bowen
Martin G. Burkett
Peter A. Chiabotti
Jules S. Cohen
Gerald B. Cope, Jr.
T. Spencer Crowley III
Kirk S. Davis
Diane G. DeWolf
Martin R. Dix
Andrew S. Dupre
Lorie A. Fale
Mario Fallone
Kristen M. Fiore
Jed Freeland
Denise Gavica Perez
Meg E. George
Stefi N. George
Jeffrey G. Gilmore
Michael I. Goldberg

Financial Services Regulation: Consumer Finance (Litigation)

William Heller (USA – Nationwide)

Franchising

Warren Lewis (USA – Nationwide)

Leisure & Hospitality

Joshua Bernstein (USA – Nationwide)

Ronald Kornreich (USA – Nationwide)

Andrew Robins (USA – Nationwide)

Banking & Finance: Transactional

William Arnholds (Florida)

Bankruptcy Litigation

Michael Goldberg (Florida)

Bankruptcy/Restructuring

Eyal Berger (South Florida)

Jules Cohen (North & Central Florida)

Michael Goldberg (South Florida)

Andrea Hartley (South Florida)

Brett Marks (South Florida)

Esther McKean (North & Central Florida)

Lucian Murley (Delaware)

David Parham (Texas)

Adam Swick (Texas)

John Thompson (District of Columbia)

Steven Wirth (North & Central Florida)

Chancery

Andrew Dupre (Delaware)

Tammy Mercer (Delaware)

Construction

Stacy Bercun Bohm (Florida)

Jeffrey Gilmore (District of Columbia)

Ross Heft (Florida)

Daniel Miktus (District of Columbia)

Leslie Miller Tomczak (Florida)

John Neary (District of Columbia)

Valerie B. Greenberg

Andrea S. Hartley

Ross A. Heft

William P. Heller

William A. Hoy

Neisen O. Kasdin

Dennis A. Kerbel

Arlene K. Kline

Teddy D. Klinghoffer

Ronald S. Kornreich

Vivien R. Krieger

Peter O. Larsen

Richard G. Leland

Warren Lee Lewis

Jason S. Lichtstein

Jennifer Duval Lindy

Joshua R. Mandell

D. Brett Marks

Michael C. Marsh

Esther McKean

James H. McNeil Jr.

Andres G. Mendoza

Tammy L. Mercer

Daniel Miktus

Anthony W. Morris

Lucian ('Luke') Murley

John M. Neary

Robyn D. Neely

Jason S. Oletsky

David W. Parham

E. Paul Quinn

Eric D. Rapkin

Jonathan S. Robbins

Andrew S. Robins

Stephen K. Roddenberry

David J. Rosen

Carl D. Roston

Matt Schroeder

Scott T. Silverman

Robert E. Slavkin

Sarah Campbell Smith

R. Adam Swick

John H. Thompson

Leslie Miller Tomczak

Steven R. Wirth

Related Work

Appellate

Cannabis

Commercial Disputes

Corporate/M&A

Mario Fallone (Upstate New York)

William Hoy (Upstate New York)

Corporate/M&A & Private Equity

Jonathan Awner (South Florida)

Nathan Balint (North & Central Florida)

David Birke (South Florida)

Martin Burkett (South Florida)

Jed Freeland (North & Central Florida)

Teddy Klinghoffer (South Florida)

Paul Quinn (South Florida)

Stephen Roddenberry (South Florida)

Carl Roston (South Florida)

Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation

Beth Alcalde (Florida)

Environment

Silvia Alderman (Florida)

Richard Leland (New York)

Jason Lichtstein (Florida)

Robyn Neely (Florida)

Sarah Campbell Smith (Florida)

Healthcare

Kirk Davis (Florida)

Martin Dix (Florida)

Robert Slavkin (Florida)

Immigration

Denise Gavica Perez (Florida)

Insurance

Anthony Morris (Georgia)

Matt Schroeder (Texas)

Insurance: Dispute Resolution: Insurer

Marcy Levine Aldrich (Florida)

Intellectual Property

Peter Chiabotti (Florida)

Construction

Construction Litigation
and Dispute Resolution

Consumer Financial
Services, Data and
Technology (CFS+)

Corporate

Employee Benefits and
Executive

Compensation

Environment and
Natural Resources

Financial Services

Florida Land Use and
Entitlements

Franchise and
Licensing

Healthcare

Illinois Land Use and
Entitlements

Immigration Strategic
Planning and
Compliance

Insurance Litigation

Intellectual Property

Labor and Employment

Land Use and
Development

Litigation

M&A and Private Equity

New York Land Use and
Zoning

Real Estate

Real Estate Litigation

State and Local Tax

Consulting and
Controversy

Tax

White Collar Crime and
Government
Investigations

Labor & Employment

Arlene Kline (Florida)

Scott Silverman (Florida)

Litigation: Appellate

Joel Bertocchi (Illinois)

Gerald Cope (Florida)

Diane DeWolf (Florida)

Kristen Fiore (Florida)

Litigation: General Commercial

David Ackerman (Florida)

Valerie Greenberg (Florida)

Michael Marsh (Florida)

Jason Oletsky (Florida)

Litigation: White Collar Crime & Government Investigations

Sergio Acosta (Illinois)

Real Estate

Andres Mendoza (South Florida)

Eric Rapkin (South Florida)

Real Estate: Litigation

Dennis Kerbel (Florida)

Real Estate: Zoning/Land Use

Spencer Crowley (South Florida)

Meg George (Illinois)

Neisen Kasdin (South Florida)

Vivien Krieger (New York)

James McNeil (Florida)

Tax

David Blum (Illinois)

Jennifer Lindy (Georgia)

Tax: Controversy

David Blum (Illinois)

Tax: State & Local

Michael Bowen (Florida)

Lorie Fale (Florida)

Stefi George (New York)

Peter Larsen (Florida)

David Rosen (Florida)

About Akerman

Founded in 1920, Akerman is an Am Law 100 firm recognized by Vault among the nation's most prestigious law firms. The firm has more than 700 lawyers and business professionals throughout the United States.