

Press Release

# Akerman Ranked by *U.S. News – Best Lawyers* Among ‘Best Law Firms’ Nationally with Record Number of Tier 1 Rankings

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Firm Again Achieves Top Rankings in Corporate, M&A, Real Estate, and Litigation Practice Areas

Top 100 U.S. law firm Akerman has once again been recognized by *U.S. News – Best Lawyers* as among the “Best Law Firms” in the United States. The firm earned a record 35 national practice rankings, recognized for its corporate, real estate, and litigation teams, among others. The firm also increased its national Tier 1 rankings to 16 practice areas, including Corporate, Mergers & Acquisitions, Real Estate, Construction, Environmental, Land Use & Zoning, Securities Regulation, Health Care, and Tax Law; and seven areas of commercial and financial litigation.

Clients commended Akerman for its “talented, creative, and dedicated lawyers,” with one remarking that, “Akerman is a nimble and effective law firm. With the spirit of an entrepreneur and the legal mind of Learned Hand, the entire firm oozes cutting edge legal thinking and practicality.”

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Akerman received a record 90 Tier 1 rankings in total, including numerous Tier 1 Metropolitan Area rankings that recognize the firm’s strength in key business centers throughout the nation, including Chicago, Houston, Miami, New York, and Washington, D.C. The firm was also named “Law Firm of the Year” for Litigation - Real Estate.

The *U.S. News – Best Lawyers* rankings are based on overall firm performance, client feedback, and peer recognition derived from 5.5 million evaluations from across the United States. The rankings follow the recently released 2018 version of *The Best Lawyers in America* list, which recognizes the top 4 percent of practicing lawyers in the nation. More than 150 Akerman lawyers were named to the 2017 Best Lawyers list in 71 areas of law across the United States.

A list of the Akerman practices ranked nationally by *U.S. News – Best Lawyers* include:

**National Rankings:**

Antitrust Law

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Banking and Finance Law

Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law

Commercial Litigation

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Litigation – Bankruptcy  
Litigation – Construction  
Litigation – Environmental  
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Trusts & Estates Law  
Venture Capital Law

For a list of Akerman practices ranked by metropolitan area, please [click here](#).

### **About Akerman LLP**

Akerman LLP is a top 100 U.S. law firm recognized by *Financial Times* as among the most forward thinking firms in the industry. Its more than 650 lawyers and business professionals collaborate with the world's most successful enterprises and entrepreneurs to navigate change, seize opportunities, and overcome barriers to innovation and growth. Akerman is known for its results in middle market M&A and complex disputes, and for

helping clients achieve their most important business objectives in the financial services, real estate, and other dynamic sectors across the United States and Latin America.