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Akerman Real Estate Practice Group Ranked Among World's Top 20 by *Who's Who Legal*

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Akerman was ranked among the world's top 20 law firms for real estate and construction law in the 2015 edition of *Who's Who Legal* 100. In addition, five Akerman lawyers were recognized as foremost practitioners in their fields.

The *Who's Who Legal* 100 assesses the world's top law firms based on extensive research into the global business law marketplace, through interviews with leading lawyers and their clients.

Individual recognitions include the following:

Real Estate

"Andrew Smulian is chairman and CEO of Akerman and a 'seasoned expert' in the field of real estate. He is lauded for his 'innovative and creative approach' and 'hardworking manner'."

"Eric Rapkin is the office managing partner in Fort Lauderdale. He specialises in the leasing, financing, acquisition and disposition of office buildings, shopping centres, hotels and industrial properties."

Construction

"Chair of the construction practice Jeffrey Gilmore has a 'major presence' in the US market advising on EPC/design-build projects as well as health care,

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Jeffrey G. Gilmore
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multi-family housing, power generation, petrochemical and infrastructure projects.”

“Donald Gavin focuses on dispute resolution and is a ‘great problem-solver’. He has represented owners, contractors, public entities, design professionals and sureties with issues involving construction, environmental matters and suretyship services.”

“Robert Smith is a ‘calm and measured’ lawyer who assists clients in the prevention and resolution of disputes in the construction industry. According to one client, ‘his reputation precedes him; he is fantastic’.”