

Press Release

Chambers USA Once Again Recognizes Akerman Among Top Law Firms in 2019 Guide

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Firm Lawyers Ranked Among the Best in Corporate, Real Estate and Litigation

Akerman LLP, a top 100 U.S. law firm serving clients across the Americas, was once again recognized by leading legal guide *Chambers and Partners* as one of the nation's most prominent law firms in middle market mergers and acquisitions, and for complex work within the financial services and real estate sectors. The 2019 edition of *Chambers USA* recognized the firm in 17 practice areas, and also honored 55 lawyers representing 21 practices.

Akerman lawyers achieved a first-time top national ranking for Cannabis Law, and were also recognized nationally in the Financial Services Regulation: Consumer Finance and Leisure & Hospitality categories. They also garnered rankings in Florida, Illinois, New York, Texas and Virginia. For another consecutive year, the firm's Corporate/M&A & Private Equity and Insurance Practices received top honors in Florida – a distinction held by the firm's Corporate Practice Group for more than a decade.

In addition to its recognition as a leading U.S. law firm, Akerman maintained distinction in *Chambers'* latest Latin America and Global editions. Akerman lawyers ranked as leaders in International

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Arbitration and International Trade. Also, both guides once again recognized Akerman's Cuba Practice among the best for General Business Law (International Firms) – Cuba.

Along with its Global and Latin America editions, the *Chambers USA* Guide is part of a series of *Chambers and Partners* research-based publications for the legal profession. The annual rankings identify leading law firms and lawyers in an extensive range of practice areas throughout each region.

The list of 55 Akerman lawyers recognized by *Chambers USA* includes:

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Akerman LLP is a top 100 U.S. law firm recognized among the most forward thinking firms in the industry by *Financial Times*. Its more than 700 lawyers and business professionals collaborate with the world's most successful enterprises and entrepreneurs to navigate change, seize opportunities, and help drive 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.