

Press Release

Who's Who Legal Ranks 12 Akerman Lawyers in Nine Practice Areas

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Akerman LLP, a top 100 U.S. law firm serving clients across the Americas, is pleased to announce that the latest editions of *Who's Who Legal* ranked 12 lawyers. Akerman earned rankings in nine categories, including M&A and Governance, Litigation, and Real Estate, reflecting core practice areas of the firm.

[Stephen Roddenberry](#) received the distinction of Thought Leader, given to practitioners who are “the apogee of the profession.” Additionally, [Rebeca Mosquera](#) was named an Arbitration Future Leader, a recognition for lawyers “who are building a superb reputation for their abilities in domestic and international arbitration.”

The Akerman lawyers ranked are as follows:

- [Jonathan Awner](#), M&A and Governance
- Karen Buesing, Labor Employment & Benefits
- Maria Casablanca, Corporate Immigration
- [Janis Cheezem](#), Real Estate
- [Richard Leland](#), Environment
- [Warren Lewis](#), Franchise

Related People

Jonathan L. Awner
Janis K. Cheezem
Richard G. Leland
Warren Lee Lewis
Eric D. Rapkin
Stephen K. Roddenberry
Andrew M. Smulian

Related Work

Construction
Environment and Natural Resources
Franchise and Licensing
Immigration Planning and Compliance
International
International Litigation and Arbitration
Labor and Employment Litigation
M&A and Private Equity
Real Estate

Related Offices

Fort Lauderdale
Miami
New York
Tampa
Washington, D.C.

- James Miller, Litigation
- Rebeca Mosquera, Arbitration, (Future Leader)
- Eric Rapkin, Real Estate
- Stephen Roddenberry, M&A and Governance, (Thought Leader)
- Robert Smith, Construction
- Andrew Smulian, Real Estate

Since 1996, *Who's Who Legal* has identified the foremost legal practitioners and consulting experts in business law based upon comprehensive, independent research.

About Akerman

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