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Akerman Maintains Top Ranking in *The Legal 500* for Middle Market M&A and Land Use

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Akerman LLP, a top 100 U.S. law firm, is pleased to announce that the firm has maintained its top ranking in *The Legal 500* as a first tier law firm for mergers and acquisitions in the M&A: Middle Market (Sub-\$500 Million) category, as well as for land use and zoning in the Real Estate: Land Use/Zoning category.

In addition to the M&A and land use and zoning rankings, Akerman was recognized for Labor and Employment – Immigration, Real Estate, and Real Estate – Construction. The Legal 500 also noted the firm's thriving tax practice by raising the US Taxes – Contentious ranking to tier 4. For M&A: Middle Market (Sub-\$500 Million), Corporate Practice Group Co-Chair Carl Roston was recognized within the category's "Hall of Fame," an elite list of outstanding lawyers nationwide, and Partner Kenneth Wiggins was named a "Next Generation Lawyer," a select list of up and coming lawyers nationwide.

In total, 29 Akerman lawyers were recommended in their practice areas based on client and peer recognitions. The lawyers and the categories in which they are honored are listed below.

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More details on the Guide's methodology, along with Akerman's rankings, are available on <u>*The Legal 500*</u> website.

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