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Hall Estill Attorneys Recognized as 2027 Best Lawyers in America®, Lawyers of the Year and Ones to Watch

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Hall Estill, a regional Southwestern law firm headquartered in Oklahoma, with offices in Tulsa, Oklahoma City, Denver and Northwest Arkansas, announced seven of its attorneys were selected as 2027 Best Lawyers® Lawyers of the Year, nearly 70 Hall Estill attorneys were selected for inclusion as The Best Lawyers® in America 2026, and 17 Best Lawyers® Ones to Watch.

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Best Lawyers 2027 Lawyers of the Year from Hall Estill:

Larry G. Ball - Best Lawyers' 2027 Oklahoma City Litigation – Bankruptcy Law "Lawyer of the Year"

Steven A. Broussard - Best Lawyers' 2027 Tulsa Litigation - Labor & Employment Law "Lawyer of the Year"

Brian T. Inbody - Best Lawyers' 2027 Tulsa Oil & Gas Law "Lawyer of the Year"

Randy K. McCarthy – Best Lawyers' 2027 Oklahoma City Patent Law "Lawyer of the Year"

James C. Milton - Best Lawyers' 2027 Tulsa Litigation - Trusts & Estates Law "Lawyer of the Year"

Scott V. Morgan - Best Lawyers' 2027 Tulsa Construction Law "Lawyer of the Year"

Steven W. Soulé - Best Lawyers' 2027 Tulsa Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law and Litigation - Bankruptcy Law "Lawyer of the Year"

Best Lawyers 2027 Northwest Arkansas Office
J. Douglas Gramling, Commercial Litigation
Brian C. Hogue, Family Law
Robert K. Rhoads, Litigation-Municipal

Best Lawyers 2027 Denver Office
Jeffrey C. Friedman, Real Estate Law

Best Lawyers 2027 Tulsa Office
Gregory W. Alberty, Real Estate Law
Pamela S. Anderson, Oil & Gas Law
Vaden F. Bales, Real Estate Law
Mark Banner, Commercial Litigation, Energy Law
Mark K. Blongewicz, Commercial Litigation, Insurance Law
Steven A. Broussard, Employment Law-Management, Labor Law-Management, Litigation-Labor & Employment
Christopher L. Carter, Real Estate Law
W. Deke Canada, Commercial Finance Law, Corporate Law
Thomas A. Creekmore III, Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Litigation-Bankruptcy
Samantha Weyrauch Davis, Trusts & Estates, Nonprofit/Charities Law, Tax Law
Robert F. Dougherty, Corporate Law, Real Estate Law
Heather Flynn Earnhart, Family Law
Kristen Pence Evans, Commercial Litigation, Insurance Law
Kyle D. Freeman, Energy Law
Pamela H. Goldberg, Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Corporate Law, Corporate Governance Law
David G. Graves, Medical Malpractice Law - Defendants
Michael D. Graves, Environmental Law, Litigation-Environmental
Del L. Gustafson, Corporate Law, Securities/Capital Markets Law, Securities Regulation
Sarah E. Hansel, Business Organizations (including LLC's and Partnerships), Corporate Law, Technology Law, Mergers & Acquisitions Law
James C.T. Hardwick, Commercial Litigation, Natural Resources Law, Oil & Gas Law
J. Kevin Hayes, Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Energy Law
Isaac B. Helmerich, Corporate Law, Insurance Law, Trusts & Estates
Brian T. Inbody, Commercial Litigation, Oil & Gas Law
Jerrick L. Irby, Commercial Litigation, Insurance Law
Betsy G. Jackson, Banking & Finance Law, Corporate Law, Corporate Governance Law
Ann E. Keele - Family Law and Family Law Mediation
Michael T. Keester, Commercial Litigation, Litigation-Construction, Litigation-Municipal
Daniel R. Ketchum II, Trusts and Estates
James C. Milton, Commercial Litigation, Litigation-Municipal, Litigation-Trusts & Estates
Scott V. Morgan, Construction Law, Oil & Gas Law
Bryan J. Nowlin, Commercial Litigation, Family Law, Litigation-Trusts & Estates, Water Law
William W. O'Connor, Commercial Litigation
Jon M. Payne, Insurance Law
James J. Proszek, Communications Law
Stephen W. Ray, Corporate Compliance Law, Corporate Governance Law, Corporate Law, Mergers & Acquisitions Law, Securities/Capital Markets Law, Securities Regulation
James M. Reed, Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Bankruptcy, Litigation-Securities
John T. Richer - Bankruptcy & Creditor-Debtor Rights/Insolvency & Reorganization Law, Litigation-Bankruptcy
Gregory P. Reilly - Commercial Litigation

Johnathan L. Rogers - Employment Law - Managment, Litigation – Labor & Employment
Thomas P. Schroedter, Administrative/Regulatory Law, Energy Law, Energy Regulatory Law,Oil & Gas Law
Natalie S. Sears - Litigation – Trusts & Estates
Steven W. Soulé, Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Litigation-Bankruptcy, Bet-the-Company Litigation
Richard A. Wagner II, Family Law
Keith A. Wilkes, Employment Law-Management
D. Kenyon "Ken" Williams, Jr., Litigation-Environmental
Andrew M. Wolov, Tax Law, Trusts & Estates

Best Lawyers 2027 Oklahoma City Office

Larry G. Ball, Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Litigation-Bankruptcy
Daniel V. Carsey, Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Banking & Finance. Oil & Gas Law
Daniel G. Couch, Commercial Litigation
Seth A. Day - Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Healthcare, Litigation - Insurance
Jon A. Epstein, Litigation-First Amendment, Media Law
Michael R. Ford, Banking and Finance Law, Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Securities/Capital Markets Law, Real Estate
John W. Gile, Family Law
Matthew R. Gile, Family Law
Kent A. Gilliland, Banking & Finance Law
Daniel J. Glover, Banking & Finance Law, Litigation-Banking and Finance, Real Estate Law
J. Frederick Kempf, Jr., Real Estate Law
Randall K. McCarthy, Copyright Law, Litigation-Intellectual Property, Patent Law, Litigation – Patent, Trademark Law, Trade Secrets Law
Robert D. Nelon, First Amendment Law, Litigation-First Amendment
Raymond S. Rudnicki, Energy Law
Michael E. Smith, Litigation-Environmental
Michael H. Smith, Patent Law, Trade Secrets Law, Trademark Law
Elaine R. Turner, Employment Law-Management, Litigation-Labor & Employment
Moira C.G. Watson, Banking & Finance Law and Corporate Law
Christina M. Wolfram, Medical Malpractice Law - Defendants

Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch 2027 Denver Office
Zachary Al-Tabbaa - Intellectual Property Law, Litigation – Intellectual Property, Patent Law
Joel P. Johnston - Energy Law
J. Kirk McGill, Commercial Litigation

Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch 2027 Tulsa Office
Blake H. Gerow, Energy Law
Christopher J. Gnaedig, Commercial Litigation
Logan L. James, Family Law, Litigation-Trusts & Estates
Brian M. Keester, Insurance Law, Litigation - Construction, Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants, Product Liability Litigation - Defendants
Sarah E. Sadler, Litigation - Trusts & Estates, Trusts & Estates
M. Travis Williams, Commercial Litigation, Oil & Gas Law

Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch 2027 Oklahoma City Office

Alexandra A. Crawley, Litigation - Securities
Taz Ellett, Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Real Estate
Jared R. Ford, Banking and Finance Law, Corporate Law, Real Estate Law
Morgan M. Lawson, Commercial Litigation
Bryan R. Lynch, Commercial Litigation, Corporate Law, Litigation-Labor and Employment, Litigation-Banking & Finance, Oil & Gas Law
Braden W. Mason, Commercial Litigation
Quinn Carpenter Weedon, Commercial Litigation
Margaret R. White, Family Law