



News & Insights

Hall Estill Lawyers Named To 2022 Best Lawyers In America® List

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A total of 51 Hall Estill lawyers have been named as 2022 Best Lawyers in America®, “Ones to Watch” and “Lawyers of the Year”

Hall Estill, Oklahoma’s leading law firm with offices in Tulsa, Oklahoma City, Denver and Northwest Arkansas, announced a total of 51 lawyers have been named for inclusion in the 2022 Best Lawyers in America® annual list of the state’s top attorneys. Of those, nine have been named to the “Lawyers of the Year” list, while an additional two attorneys were named to the “Ones to Watch” list.

“The continued recognition of our attorneys by Best Lawyers is a testament to the remarkable service we deliver to our clients on a daily basis,” said Mike Cooke, managing partner for Hall Estill. “It is an honor to be acknowledged by your peers for your expertise.”

First published in 1983, Best Lawyers® lists are compiled based on an exhaustive peer-review evaluation. Nearly 87,000 industry leading lawyers from around the world are eligible to vote, and on an annual basis almost 10 million evaluations are received on the legal abilities of other lawyers based on specific practice areas around the globe.

Best Lawyers 2022 Lawyers of the Year from Hall Estill

- Mark Banner – Best Lawyers’ 2022 Tulsa Energy Law “Lawyer of the Year”
- Michael R. Ford – Best Lawyers’ 2022 Oklahoma City Mergers and Acquisitions Law “Lawyer of the Year”
- John W. Gile – Best Lawyers’ 2022 Oklahoma City Family Law “Lawyer of the Year”
- Pamela H. Goldberg – Best Lawyers’ 2022 Tulsa Corporate Governance Law “Lawyer of the Year”
- Del L. Gustafson – Best Lawyers’ 2022 Tulsa Securities/Capital Markets Law “Lawyer of the Year”
- Brian T. Inbody - Best Lawyers’ 2022 Tulsa Oil and Gas Law “Lawyer of the Year”
- Stephen W. Ray, Best Lawyers’ 2022 Tulsa Corporate Compliance Law "Lawyer of the Year”
- Michael H. Smith – Best Lawyers’ 2022 Oklahoma City Trade Secrets Law “Lawyer of the Year”
- D. Kenyon “Ken” Williams, Jr. – Best Lawyers’ 2022 Tulsa Litigation-Environmental Law “Lawyer of the Year”

Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch Tulsa Office

- Isaac B. Helmerich, Corporate Law
- Margo E. Shipley, Commercial Litigation

Best Lawyers Tulsa Office

- Gregory W. Alberty, Real Estate Law
- Pamela S. Anderson, Oil and 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
- W. Deke Canada, Commercial Finance Law, Corporate Law
- Michael D. Cooke, Banking and Finance Law, Communications Law, Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- Thomas A. Creekmore III, Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Litigation-Bankruptcy
- Samantha Weyrauch Davis, Nonprofit/Charities Law, Trusts & Estates
- Robert F. Dougherty, Corporate Law, Real Estate Law
- Heather Flynn Earnhart, Family Law
- Kristen Pence Evans, Commercial Litigation
- Pamela H. Goldberg, Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Corporate Law, Corporate Governance Law
- 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
- James C.T. Hardwick, Commercial Litigation, Natural Resources Law, Oil and Gas Law
- J. Kevin Hayes, Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Energy Law
- Brian T. Inbody, Commercial Litigation, Oil and Gas Law
- Betsy G. Jackson, Banking & Finance Law, Corporate Law, Corporate Governance Law
- 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
- P. David Newsome, Corporate Law, Securities/Capital Markets Law, Securities Regulation, Litigation-Securities
- William W. O'Connor, Commercial Litigation
- 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

- Thomas P. Schroedter, Administrative/Regulatory Law, Energy Law, Oil & Gas Law
- Steven W. Soulé, Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Litigation-Bankruptcy
- 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 Oklahoma City Office

- Larry G. Ball, Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Litigation-Bankruptcy
- Daniel V. Carsey, Commercial Litigation
- Jon A. Epstein, Litigation-First Amendment
- Michael R. Ford, Banking and Finance Law, Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Securities/Capital Markets Law
- John W. Gile, Family Law
- Matthew R. Gile, Family Law
- Kent A. Gilliland, Banking and Finance Law
- Daniel J. Glover, Banking and 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
- Ralph E. Seals, Jr., Oil & Gas 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