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Hall Estill Attorneys Recognized as Best Lawyers in America and Lawyers of the Year 2019

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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 11 of its attorneys were selected as 2019 Best Lawyers® Lawyers of the Year and nearly 50 Hall Estill attorneys were selected for inclusion as The Best Lawyers® in America 2019.

"The level of representation on this year's Best Lawyers in America list speaks to the firm's growth and steadfast commitment to provide the best level of counsel to our clients," said Mike Cooke, managing partner for Hall Estill. "Our firm's success is built on the experience and professionalism of our attorneys in providing legal counsel and service to our clients."

Since it was first published in 1983, Best Lawyers has become universally regarded as the definitive guide to legal excellence. Because Best Lawyers is based on a peer-review survey in which more than 36,000 leading attorneys cast almost 4.4 million votes on the legal abilities of the other lawyers in their practice areas. Corporate Counsel magazine has called Best Lawyers "the most respected referral list of attorneys in practice."

Best Lawyers 2019 Lawyers of the Year from Hall Estill are:

Vaden F. Bales, Best Lawyers 2019 Tulsa Real Estate Law "Lawyer of the Year"
Larry G. Ball, Best Lawyers 2019 Oklahoma City Litigation-Bankruptcy Law "Lawyer of the Year"
Michael D. Cooke, Best Lawyers 2019 Tulsa Mergers and Acquisitions Law "Lawyer of the Year"
Thomas A. Creekmore III, Best Lawyers 2019 Tulsa Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law "Lawyer of the Year"
J. Kevin Hayes, Best Lawyers 2019 Tulsa Energy Law "Lawyer of the Year"
Kenneth L. Hunt, Best Lawyers 2019 Tulsa Tax Law "Lawyer of the Year"
Michael T. Keester, Best Lawyers 2019 Tulsa Litigation-Construction Law "Lawyer of the Year"
Randall K. McCarthy, Best Lawyers 2019 Oklahoma City Litigation-Intellectual Property Law "Lawyer of the Year"
P. David Newsome, Jr., Best Lawyers 2019 Tulsa Litigation-Securities "Lawyer of the Year"
Stephen W. Ray, Best Lawyers 2019 Tulsa Corporate Compliance Law "Lawyer of the Year"
Michael E. Smith, Best Lawyers 2019 Oklahoma City Litigation-Environmental Law "Lawyer of the Year"

Tulsa Office Best Lawyers in America 2019

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
W. Deke Canada, Commercial Finance Law, Corporate Law
Michael D. Cooke, Banking & Finance Law, Communications Law, Corporate Law, Mergers & Acquisitions Law
Thomas A. Creekmore III, Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Litigation-Bankruptcy
Samantha Weyrauch Davis, Trusts & Estates
Robert F. Dougherty, Corporate Law, Real Estate Law
Heather Flynn Earnhart, Family Law
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), Technology Law
James C.T. Hardwick, Commercial Litigation, Natural Resources Law, Oil & Gas Law
J. Kevin Hayes, Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Energy Law
Kenneth L. Hunt, Tax Law, Litigation & Controversy-Tax
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, Water Law
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

Oklahoma City Office Best Lawyers in America 2019

Larry G. Ball, Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Litigation-Bankruptcy
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
Kent A. Gilliland, Banking and Finance Law
Daniel J. Glover, Banking and Finance Law, Litigation-Banking and Finance, 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