

## News & Insights

### Hall Estill Attorneys Recognized as Best Lawyers in America and Lawyers of the Year 2018

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TULSA, Okla. (August 15, 2017) – Hall Estill, Oklahoma’s leading law firm, with offices in Tulsa, Oklahoma City, Denver and Northwest Arkansas, announced 8 of its attorneys were selected as 2018 Best Lawyers® Lawyers of the Year and 43 Hall Estill attorneys were selected for inclusion as The Best Lawyers® in America 2018.

“It is an honor to have so many of our attorneys recognized on this year’s Best Lawyers in America list,” said Mike Cooke, managing partner for Hall Estill. “The level of representation speaks to our continued progress as a firm and steadfast commitment to provide the best level of 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 2018 Lawyers of the Year from Hall Estill are:

**Michael D. Cooke**, Best Lawyers 2018 Tulsa Banking and Finance Law “Lawyer of the Year”

**Thomas A. Creekmore III**, Best Lawyers 2018 Tulsa Litigation-Bankruptcy Law “Lawyer of the Year”

**Del L. Gustafson**, Best Lawyers 2018 Tulsa Securities Regulation Law “Lawyer of the Year”

**Randall K. McCarthy**, Best Lawyers 2018 Oklahoma City Litigation-Patent Law “Lawyer of the Year”

**Stephen W. Ray**, Best Lawyers 2018 Tulsa Corporate Governance Law “Lawyer of the Year”

**James M. Reed**, Best Lawyers 2018 Tulsa Litigation-Securities Law “Lawyer of the Year”

**Thomas P. Schroedter**, Best Lawyers 2018 Tulsa Oil & Gas Law “Lawyer of the Year”

**Elaine R. Turner**, Best Lawyers 2018 Oklahoma City Litigation-Labor & Employment “Lawyer of the Year”

#### Tulsa Office Best Lawyers in America 2018

**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

**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

**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

**James D. Satrom**, Energy Law, Oil & Gas Law

**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

**D. Kenyon “Ken” Williams, Jr.**, Litigation-Environmental

**Andrew M. Wolov**, Tax Law, Trusts & Estates

#### **Oklahoma City Office Best Lawyers in America 2018**

**Larry G. Ball**, Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Litigation-Bankruptcy

**Jon A. Epstein**, Litigation-First Amendment

**Michael R. Ford**, Banking & Finance Law, Corporate Law, Mergers & Acquisitions Law, Securities/Capital Markets Law

**John W. Gile**, Family Law

**Kent A. Gilliland**, Banking & Finance Law

**Daniel J. Glover**, Banking & 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. Nelson**, First Amendment Law, Litigation-First Amendment

**Ralph E. Seals, Jr.**, Oil & Gas Law

**Michael E. Smith**, Litigation-Environmental

**Elaine R. Turner**, Employment Law-Management, Litigation-Labor & Employment

