

88 MGC Attorneys Recognized in 2025 The Best Lawyers in America®

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52 attorneys were named to the flagship *The Best Lawyers in America*® 2025 list. Among this distinguished group, three attorneys were named "Lawyer of the Year" in their respective practice areas: in the Charleston, SC metro area, Mark Davis was recognized as Workers' Compensation Law — Employers "Lawyer of the Year"; in the Columbia, SC metro area, Rusty Goudelock was recognized as Workers' Compensation Law — Employers "Lawyer of the Year" and Tommy Lydon was recognized as Litigation — Banking and Finance "Lawyer of the Year." Additionally, 36 attorneys were named to the *Best Lawyers*®: Ones to Watch 2025 list, which celebrates rising stars in private practice who demonstrate outstanding professional excellence early in their careers.

The Best Lawyers in America®

Asheville, NC

- <u>Joseph Hamrick</u>: Workers' Compensation Law Employers
- <u>John Spainhour</u>: Commercial Litigation; Litigation Insurance

Atlanta, GA

- <u>Lynn Olmert</u>: Workers' Compensation Law Employers
- <u>Christopher Whitlock</u>: Workers' Compensation Law Employers
- <u>Kathryn Whitlock</u>: Insurance Law; Litigation Insurance

Boston, MA

- <u>Timothy Frawley</u>: Litigation Insurance
- John Harding: Insurance Law; Litigation Insurance
- Barbara O'Donnell: Insurance Law; Litigation Insurance
- John O'Neil: Commercial Litigation; Insurance Law; Litigation Insurance
- Jessica Park: Insurance Law
- Robert Whitney: Insurance Law

Charlotte, NC

- John Barringer: Insurance Law; Litigation Insurance; Product Liability
 Litigation Defendants
- Chuck Cheney: Workers Compensation Law Employers
- <u>Heather Connor</u>: Commercial Litigation; Litigation Construction
- <u>Iohn Jeffries</u>: Commercial Litigation; Litigation Construction; Litigation



- Insurance; Product Liability Litigation Defendants
- George Kurani: Workers' Compensation Law Employers
- Sally Moran: Workers' Compensation Law Employers
- John Morris: Workers' Compensation Law Employers
- Robert Starnes: Workers' Compensation Employers
- Andrew Ussery: Workers' Compensation Law Employers

Charleston, SC

- Mark Davis: Workers' Compensation Law Employers ("Lawyer of the Year")
- Amy Jenkins: Employment Law Individuals; Employment Law –
 Management; Litigation ERISA; Litigation Labor & Employment
- Allison Nussbaum: Workers' Compensation Law Employers
- <u>JD Smith</u>: Litigation Construction; Litigation Insurance; Product Liability Litigation – Defendants

Columbia, SC

- <u>Chad Abramson</u>: Workers' Compensation Law Employers
- <u>Trippett Boineau</u>: Litigation Construction; Product Liability Litigation –
 Defendants
- <u>Sterling Davies</u>: Commercial Litigation; Insurance Law; Litigation –
 Construction; Litigation Insurance; Product Liability Litigation –
 Defendants
- Scott Garrett: Workers' Compensation Law Employers
- Mundi George: Workers' Compensation Law Employers
- Rusty Goudelock: Workers' Compensation Law Employers ("Lawyer of the Year")
- Jason Lockhart: Workers' Compensation Law Employers
- Tommy Lydon: Bet-the-Company Litigation; Commercial Litigation;
 Litigation Banking & Finance ("Lawyer of the Year")
- Stuart Moore: Workers' Compensation Law Claimants; Workers'
 Compensation Law Employers
- <u>Julie Moose</u>: Commercial Litigation

Greenville, SC

- Mark Allison: Workers' Compensation Law Employers
- Haylea Carter: Personal Injury Litigation Defendants
- Vernon Dunbar: Workers' Compensation Law Employers
- <u>Erroll Anne Hodges</u>: Workers' Compensation Law Employers

Jackson, MS

- Holly Nash Hodge: Workers' Compensation Law Employers
- Pamela Ratliff: Workers' Compensation Law Employers
- Ginger Robey: Workers' Compensation Law Employers
- W. Bienville "Ben" Skipper: Workers' Compensation Law Employers
- Bobby Thompson: Personal Injury Litigation Defendants; Workers'

-Compensation Law - Employers



Knoxville, TN

Joshua Wolfe: Construction Law; Insurance Law

Memphis, TN

Tom Cassidy: Insurance Law; Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants;
 Workers' Compensation Law – Employers

Myrtle Beach, SC

- <u>Dominic Starr</u>: Litigation Insurance
- Shayne Williams: Workers' Compensation Law Employers

Nashville, TN

Paul Brewer: Commercial Litigation; Construction Law; Litigation –
 Construction

Oxford, MS

<u>Jay Atkins</u>: Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants; Construction Law

Providence, RI

<u>David Zizik</u>: Insurance Law; Reinsurance Law

Raleigh, NC

- Melissa Cleary: Professional Malpractice Law Defendants; Workers'
 Compensation Law Employers
- Jack Holmes: Workers' Compensation Law Employers
- JD Keister: Insurance Law

Wilmington, NC

Walt Rapp: Litigation – Insurance

Best Lawyers®: Ones to Watch

Asheville, NC

Richard Haywood: Workers' Compensation Law – Employers

Atlanta, GA

- <u>Evan Beauchamp</u>: Workers' Compensation Law Employers
- <u>Derron Bowles</u>: Personal Injury Litigation Defendants
- <u>Camille Dizon</u>: Commercial Litigation; Personal Injury Litigation –
 Defendants; Professional Malpractice Law
- Mark Edwards: Commercial Litigation
- John Hennick: Workers' Compensation Law Employers
- Ashley Howard: Commercial Litigation; Insurance Law

Charleston, SC

Shawn Bevans: Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants



- Chris Digby: Real Estate Law
- Jonathan Lane: Labor and Employment Law Employee; Labor and Employment Law – Management

Charlotte, NC

Mason Littlefield: Workers' Compensation Law - Claimants

Columbia, SC

- Brett Bayne: Product Liability Litigation Defendants
- Riley Bearden: Insurance Law; Personal Injury Litigation Defendants
- <u>Matt Moser</u>: Workers' Compensation Claimants; Workers'
 Compensation Law Employers
- Adam Ribock: Commercial Litigation; Construction Law; Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants
- Will Starnes: Real Estate Law
- Michael Trask: Insurance Law; Personal Injury Litigation Defendants

Garden City, NY

<u>Liz Athenas</u>: Litigation - Intellectual Property; Mass Tort Litigation /
 Class Actions - Defendants

Greenville, SC

- Kristie Commins: Workers' Compensation Law Employers
- Madelyn Dukes: Construction Law; Insurance Law; Litigation –
 Construction; Personal Injury Litigation Defendants
- Ashley Forbes: Workers' Compensation Law Employers
- <u>Katie Grove</u>: Workers' Compensation Law Employers
- Amanda Neely: Workers' Compensation Law Employers

Jackson, MS

- Paul Blake: Insurance Law
- Laura Givens: Commercial Litigation

Manchester, NH

 Iryna Dore: Commercial Litigation; Insurance Law; Labor and Employment Law – Management; Litigation - Labor and Employment; Medical Malpractice Law - Defendants

Memphis, TN

- <u>Garrett O'Brien</u>: Commercial Litigation; Workers' Compensation –
 Claimants; Workers' Compensation Law Employers
- Wade Scofield: Workers' Compensation Law Employers

Nashville, TN

Alston Peek: Commercial Litigation; Insurance Law

Raleigh, NC



- <u>Luke Dalton</u>: Commercial Litigation
- <u>Tiffany Frickey</u>: Commercial Litigation
- <u>Stephanie Gearhart</u>: Workers' Compensation Law Employers
- <u>Cassie Keen</u>: Workers' Compensation Law Employers
- Ben Simpson: Workers' Compensation Claimants; Workers'
 Compensation Law Employers

Wilmington, NC

- Chris Bell: Insurance Law; Workers' Compensation Law Employers
- <u>Jason Toups</u>: Workers' Compensation Claimants; Workers'
 Compensation Law Employers

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