



News

Chambers USA Once Again Recognizes Hinshaw for its Leading Insurance Practice

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Chambers USA has announced that Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP's Insurance Practice has received recognition in the 2019 edition of *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business (Chambers USA)*. Specifically, Hinshaw is recognized for Insurance: Dispute Resolution: Insurer (Illinois) and Insurance: Insurer (California).

Additionally, four Hinshaw partners—Rory E. Jurman, Kent R. Keller, Royal F. Oakes, and Scott M. Seaman—were recognized by Chambers as leading insurance law practitioners.

Published by Chambers and Partners, *Chambers USA* is a widely respected annual publication that highlights leading law firms and lawyers representing clients in the United States and internationally. Chambers and Partners' researchers interview thousands of lawyers and their clients from around the world, providing the empirical basis for the recognition.

Insurance Practice Rankings

In ranking Hinshaw in "Insurance: Dispute Resolution: Insurer – Illinois" and quoting members of the insurance industry, Chambers notes:

What the team is known for: Widely acknowledged for its representation of insurer clients in complex, high-value coverage arbitration and litigation matters. Experienced in construction defect, first party property and cyber insurance as well as personal insurance claims. Also handles risk management issues. Skilled at acting for international and domestic U.S. clients.

Strengths: An impressed client says: *"The work product is continually outstanding, well thought through and well supported,"* continuing to further add: *"The standard responsiveness is excellent and they always address my needs in a timely and direct manner."*

Another source reports: *"I give them the highest rating; they are professional, and have a great deal of business savvy and extraordinary resources."*

In ranking Hinshaw in "Insurance: Insurer – California," Chambers states:

What the team is known for: Highly capable firm with a reputation for representing both domestic and foreign insurers across the USA. The California team has key expertise in regulatory insurance law and also offers a robust litigation practice, representing insurers in coverage disputes and class actions

Attorneys

Rory Eric Jurman
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on a regular basis. Offers further ability in construction defect, professional liability and first-party property insurance matters, among other areas.

Strengths: Sources say: *"An outstanding firm with a really competent bench of attorneys. They are detail oriented, efficient, knowledgeable and understand our needs."*

Sources note: *"They bring a wealth of experience to any litigation matter, they are extremely responsive to client inquiries and they do a good job of keeping me informed of developments in the case."*

Individual Attorney Rankings

Hinshaw partners ranked individually in this year's edition of *Chambers USA*—all of whom have been recognized in previous editions of *Chambers USA*—include Rory E. Jurman, Chicago-based partner Scott M. Seaman, the co-chair of the firm's National Insurance Services Practice Group, and Los Angeles-based partners Kent R. Keller and Royal F. Oakes.

Here's how the ranked partners were profiled by Chambers:

Rory Jurman is a highly respected insurance market practitioner, noted for his experience handling a wide range of contentious coverage and bad faith disputes. Clients remark: "Rory is a great attorney who is an excellent communicator and skilled negotiator. He thinks strategically about how to resolve cases."

Kent Keller is a senior and widely recognized practitioner with great experience in appellate litigation. *"I learned a lot from watching him in my youth,"* says a junior peer: *"He is fabulous on his feet in court."*

Scott Seaman co-chairs the firm's insurance department and is lauded for his experience in a variety of coverage disputes. His areas of expertise include toxic tort and environmental matters. Market sources report: *"He is very proactive, extremely intelligent and results-oriented."*

Royal Oakes' client roster includes notable nationwide insurers in the areas of life, disability and long-term care. Sources say: *"His best traits are that not only is he very personable, but also extremely well spoken and able to articulate issues very well."*