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Super Lawyers' 2025 Colorado Top Lists Features Four Stinson Attorneys

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Super Lawyers[©] has named Stinson LLP Partners Deborah Bayles, Jared Ertle and Andrew Gillespie and attorney Judith Araujo to its 2025 Colorado *Supers Lawyers* and Rising Stars lists.

Bayles is recognized as a Super Lawyer in the real estate practice area. Ertle, Gillespie and Araujo are recognized as Rising Stars in the mergers and acquisitions, banking and intellectual property practice areas, respectively.

Super Lawyers recognizes attorneys who have distinguished themselves in their legal practice. Selection is based on third-party validation of each attorney's professional accomplishments.

Bayles advises lenders on a variety of secured loan and lease transactions, including those related to ESOPs and bank holding companies. She also guides business clients through entity formation, acquisitions and succession planning. Her extensive experience in real estate finance and general business operations allows her to effectively assist clients through all stages of a real estate project. Bayles also serves as Stinson's Denver office managing partner.

Ertle specializes in advising clients on complex mergers and acquisitions, venture capital investments and dispositions. He also counsels farm credit system institutions, commercial banks and equipment leasing companies on loan transactions, as well as equipment and facility lease transactions.

Gillespie focuses his financial services and real estate lending practice on helping banking, private equity, privately-held business and real estate investor clients reach their business goals across a wide range of industries. He leverages his business background to provide innovative, strategic and practical advice when counseling lenders and borrowers in secured and unsecured loans, and private equity firms, real estate developers and investors in a variety of complex transactions.

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Araujo's practice focuses on intellectual property litigation, including patent, trademark, trade secret, and copyright litigation, as well as business and commercial litigation. Her clients come from a variety of industries, including manufacturing, telecommunications, construction, aviation, energy, defense, health care and information technology services. This is Araujo's first time being recognized as a Rising Star.

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