

## News

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Vorys is pleased to announce that 115 Vorys attorneys were included on the 2024 *Best Lawyers in America* list and 44 Vorys attorneys were named to *The Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America* list. Vorys' lawyers were included in all three of the individual award categories: *Best Lawyers*, "Lawyer of the Year" and *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America*.

Since its inception in 1983, *Best Lawyers* has become universally regarded as the definitive guide to legal excellence. Because *Best Lawyers* is based on an exhaustive peer-review survey in which more than 39,000 leading attorneys cast almost 3.1 million votes on the legal abilities of other lawyers in their practice areas, and because lawyers are not required or allowed to pay a fee to be listed, inclusion in *Best Lawyers* is considered a singular honor. *Ones to Watch* honors are recognitions given to attorneys who are earlier in their careers for outstanding professional excellence in private practice in the United States. The process for being named to this list is the same peer-review process as being named to *The Best Lawyers in America®* list.

### BEST LAWYERS FROM THE VORYS COLUMBUS OFFICE:

- **Robin P. Amicon** – Health Care Law
- **Michael J. Ball** – Litigation – Labor and Employment
- **Timothy J. Bechtold** – Government Relations Practice
- **Robert A. Bell, Jr.** – Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- **Adam K. Brandt** – Corporate Law
- **Alycia N. Broz** – Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Antitrust, Litigation – Securities
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- **Tiffany Strelow Cobb** – Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Litigation – Bankruptcy
- **David W. Cook** – Immigration Law
- **Perry W. Doran II** – Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions – Defendants, Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants, Personal Injury Litigation – Plaintiffs
- **Jennifer Dunsizer** – Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law
- **Elizabeth Turrell Farrar** – Corporate Law
- **Victor J. Ferguson** – Trusts and Estates
- **Jacklyn J. Ford** – Employment Law – Management, Labor Law – Management, Nonprofit / Charities Law
- **John F. Furniss III** – Trusts and Estates
- **Thomas H. Fusonie** – Commercial Litigation
- **Suzanne Galyardt** – Trusts and Estates
- **Sheila Nolan Gartland** – Real Estate Law
- **Anthony J. Giuliani** – Environmental Law
- **Rick W. Grady** – Construction Law, Litigation – Construction
- **Robert A. Harris** – Employment Law – Management
- **Susan Barry Harty** – Product Liability Litigation – Defendants
- **Jolie N. Havens** – Health Care Law
- **Herbert A. Hedden** – Franchise Law
- **Kimberly Weber Herlihy** – Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Labor and Employment
- **Dan L. Jaffe** – Tax Law
- **Allen S. Kinzer** – Employment Law – Management, Labor Law – Management, Litigation – Labor and Employment
- **William D. Kloss, Jr.** – Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants
- **Christopher J. Knezevic** – Economic Development Law
- **Mark A. Knueve** – Employment Law – Management, Litigation – Labor and Employment
- **John M. Kuhl** – Commercial Litigation, Eminent Domain and Condemnation Law
- **John J. Kulewicz** – Appellate Practice, Civil Rights Law
- **John L. Landolfi** – Commercial Litigation

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- **Judith L. Marsh** – Banking and Finance Law, Commercial Finance Law, Commercial Transactions / UCC Law, Franchise Law
- **Michael D. Martz** – Corporate Law
- **Douglas R. Matthews** – Commercial Litigation, Employment Law – Management
- **Theodore P. Mattis** – Commercial Litigation, Workers' Compensation Law – Employers
- **Karen M. Moore** – Litigation – Trusts and Estates, Trusts and Estates
- **Bruce P. Paige** – Corporate Law
- **William G. Porter** – Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Eminent Domain and Condemnation Law
- **Christine M. Poth** – Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law
- **D. Scott Powell** – Tax Law
- **Nicholas M.J. Ray** – Tax Law
- **Adam J. Rocco** – Employment Law – Management, Litigation – Labor and Employment
- **Russell R. Rosler** – Corporate Law
- **Gregory D. Russell** – Energy Law, Oil and Gas Law
- **Allen L. Rutz** – Construction Law
- **Gary J. Saalman** – Product Liability Litigation – Defendants
- **Richard D. Schuster** – Commercial Litigation, Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions – Defendants, Personal Injury Litigation – Plaintiffs, Product Liability Litigation – Defendants, Product Liability Litigation – Plaintiffs
- **Suzanne J. Scrutton** – Health Care Law
- **Michael J. Settineri** – Energy Law
- **Benjamin A. Shepler** – Litigation – Labor and Employment
- **Andrew C. Smith** – Employment Law – Management, Labor Law – Management, Litigation – Labor and Employment
- **Elizabeth T. Smith** – Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants
- **J. Theodore Smith** – Construction Law, Real Estate Law
- **Evelyn Lundberg Stratton** – Appellate Practice
- **Jill S. Tangeman** – Economic Development Law, Land Use and Zoning Law
- **Mark E. Vannatta** – Nonprofit / Charities Law, Tax Law, Trusts and Estates

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- **Webb I. Vorys** – Corporate Law
- **Travis J. Wahl** – Banking and Finance Law
- **Kristin L. Watt** – Environmental Law, Litigation – Environmental, Natural Resources Law
- **Nina I. Webb–Lawton** – Commercial Litigation, Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions – Defendants
- **John B. Weimer** – Banking and Finance Law, Commercial Finance Law, Commercial Transactions / UCC Law, Equipment Finance Law
- **Anthony D. Weis** – Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- **James A. Wilson** – Antitrust Law, Litigation – Antitrust
- **Nici Workman** – Banking and Finance Law
- **Scott J. Ziance** – Economic Development Law, Public Finance Law

#### *ONES TO WATCH FROM THE VORYS COLUMBUS OFFICE:*

- **Elizabeth S. Alexander** – Commercial Litigation
- **Ilya Batikov** – Oil and Gas Law
- **Adam Borgman** – Labor and Employment – Management
- **Zachary T. Brumfield** – Banking and Finance Law
- **James A. Carr II** – Energy Law, Oil and Gas Law, Real Estate Law
- **Mary Beth Cubberly** – Litigation – Antitrust
- **Lauren N. Fromme** – Tax Law
- **Elizabeth Howard** – Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law
- **Lauren M. Johnson** – Tax Law
- **Nathaniel Morse** – Environmental Law
- **Kara M. Mundy** – Commercial Litigation
- **Lauren E. Ramamurthy** – Labor and Employment Law – Management
- **Nicklaus J. Reis** – Real Estate Law
- **Michael J. Shoenfelt** – Labor and Employment Law – Management
- **George L. Stevens** – Labor and Employment Law – Management
- **Janay M. Stevens** – Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships), Labor and Employment Law – Management

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John B. Weimer  
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Anthony D. Weis  
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Aaron M. Williams  
James A. Wilson  
Nici Workman  
Elia O. Woyt  
Daniel C. Wucherer  
Scott J. Ziance

#### Related Services

Antitrust and Trade Regulation Litigation  
Appellate Practice  
Bankruptcy, Restructuring and Distressed Situations  
Business Organizational Matters, Including Entity Selection and Capital Structure  
Class Actions  
Corporate and Business Organizations  
Corporate Governance  
eControl  
Employee Benefits and Executive Compensation  
Employment Litigation  
Environmental  
Environmental Litigation, Dispute Resolution and Crisis Management  
Finance  
Franchise Finance  
Franchising and Distribution  
Government Relations  
Immigration

#### BEST LAWYERS FROM THE VORYS AKRON OFFICE:

- **Aaron S. Berke** – Economic Development Law, Project Finance Law, Public Finance Law
- **Thomas R. Crookes** – Commercial Litigation, Employment Law – Management
- **Ashley Manfull** – Employment Law – Management, Labor Law – Management
- **Jacinto Núñez** – Economic Development Law
- **J. Bret Treier** – Banking and Finance Law, Corporate Governance Law, Corporate Law, Nonprofit / Charities Law
- **Mark A. Watkins** – Litigation – Intellectual Property, Patent Law, Trademark Law
- **Elia O. Woyt** – Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law

#### ONES TO WATCH FROM THE VORYS AKRON OFFICE:

- **Jessica Knopp Cunning** – Litigation – Intellectual Property
- **Andrew P. Guran** – Commercial Litigation
- **Scott M. Guttman** – Litigation – Intellectual Property

#### BEST LAWYERS FROM THE VORYS CLEVELAND OFFICE:

- **Rajeev K. Adlakha** – Commercial Litigation
- **Kari B. Coniglio** – Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Commercial Litigation
- **Marcel C. Duhamel** – Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Commercial Litigation
- **Bryan H. Falk** – Banking and Finance Law, Real Estate Law
- **Bryan J. Farkas** – Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Litigation – Bankruptcy
- **Michael J. Garvin** – Litigation – Intellectual Property, Patent Law, Trademark Law
- **Martin S. Gates** – Banking and Finance Law, Financial Services Regulation Law
- **James J. McMonagle** – Arbitration, Mediation

Intellectual Property

Labor and Employment

Land Use, Zoning, Real Property  
and Eminent Domain

Litigation

Mass / Toxic Tort and Product  
Liability Litigation

Mergers and Acquisitions

Patents

Real Estate

Real Estate Finance

Securities, Shareholder Disputes  
and Corporate Governance

Tax and Economic Development  
Incentives

Taxation

Trademarks

Trusts, Estates and Wealth  
Transfer

Workouts and Restructuring

Workplace Safety and Workers'  
Compensation

#### Related Industries

Construction

Energy, Utilities, Oil and Gas

Health Care

#### ONES TO WATCH FROM THE VORYS CLEVELAND OFFICE:

- **Jeffrey W. Bieszczak** – Banking and Finance Law, Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- **Nicholas R. House** – Banking and Finance Law, Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships), Real Estate Law
- **Cauley Simmons Oliver** – Banking and Finance Law, Corporate Law
- **Lindsay Doss Spillman** – Tax Law
- **Aaron M. Williams** – Intellectual Property Law

#### BEST LAWYERS FROM THE VORYS CINCINNATI OFFICE:

- **William D.G. Baldwin** – Real Estate Law
- **Charles C. Bissinger, Jr.** – Real Estate Law
- **Kent A. Britt** – Commercial Litigation, Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law, Litigation – Construction, Litigation – ERISA, Litigation – Health Care
- **David Edelstein** – Environmental Law, Litigation – Environmental
- **Whitney C. Gibson** – Commercial Litigation
- **David A. Groenke** – Trusts and Estates
- **David F. Hine** – Commercial Litigation
- **Hani R. Kallas** – Banking and Finance Law
- **Nathaniel Lampley, Jr.** – Commercial Litigation
- **Roger E. Lautzenhiser, Jr.** – Corporate Law, International Mergers and Acquisitions
- **J.B. Lind** – Commercial Litigation
- **Jacob D. Mahle** – Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Trusts and Estates
- **Mark A. Norman** – Environmental Law, Litigation – Environmental
- **Anthony L. Osterlund** – Environmental Law, Litigation – Environmental, Litigation – Labor and Employment, Litigation – Real Estate, Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions – Defendants, Product Liability Litigation – Defendants
- **Emily Pan** – Trusts and Estates
- **Eric W. Richardson** – Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Intellectual Property
- **Kimberly J. Schaefer** – Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law

- **Michael G. Schwartz** – Commercial Litigation, Tax Law, Trusts and Estates
- **Victor A. Walton, Jr.** – Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships), Closely Held Companies and Family Businesses Law, Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Banking and Finance, Litigation – Labor and Employment
- **Elizabeth E. W. Weinewuth** – Litigation – Trusts and Estates
- **Rosemary D. Welsh** – Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions – Defendants, Product Liability Litigation – Defendants

#### *ONES TO WATCH FROM THE VORYS CINCINNATI OFFICE:*

- **Wesley R. Abrams** – Commercial Litigation, Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law
- **Jessica K. Baverman** – Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Intellectual Property
- **Brian P. Baxter** – Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- **Andrew E. DeBord** – Tax Law
- **Laura E. Erdman** – Technology Law
- **Erin D. French** – Labor and Employment Law – Management
- **Lauren L. Gilbert** – Banking and Finance Law
- **Robert T. Grise** – Intellectual Property Law
- **Joel M. Lund** – Real Estate Law
- **Jeffrey A. Miller** – Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Banking and Finance
- **Gabriel A. Moyer** – Real Estate Law
- **Patrick J. Reardon** – Real Estate Law
- **Emily E. St. Cyr** – Commercial Litigation, Labor and Employment Law – Management, Trusts and Estates
- **Daniel C. Wucherer** – Litigation – Intellectual Property

#### *BEST LAWYERS FROM THE VORYS HOUSTON OFFICE:*

- **Jacquelyn Abbott** – Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law
- **Stephen D. Browning** – Real Estate Law
- **Monica A. Fitzgerald** – Employment Law – Management
- **Carey C. Jordan** – Patent Law
- **Iona N. Kaiser** – Patent Law
- **Steven R. Rech** – Commercial Litigation

#### *ONES TO WATCH FROM THE VORYS HOUSTON OFFICE:*

- **James T. Barnish** – Litigation – Construction
- **John S. Collins** – Commercial Litigation

*BEST LAWYERS FROM THE VORYS ORANGE COUNTY OFFICE:*

- **Cory D. Catignani** – Labor Law – Management, Litigation – Labor and Employment
- **Thomas N. McCormick** – Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Labor and Employment

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- **Jocelyn M. Hoffman** – Labor and Employment Law – Management

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- **Phillip J. Binotto** – Labor Law – Management, Litigation – Labor and Employment

*ONES TO WATCH FROM THE VORYS PITTSBURGH OFFICE:*

- **Maureen E. Kelly** – Patent Law

*ONES TO WATCH FROM THE VORYS WASHINGTON D.C. OFFICE:*

- **Peter C. Nanov** – Commercial Litigation

**2024 “LAWYER OF THE YEAR”:**

In addition, fifteen lawyers were included on the “Lawyer of the Year” list. The “Lawyer of the Year” award is presented to only one individual in a given geographical region and practice area each edition. To learn more about those lawyers, [click here](#).

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