

## Haynes and Boone Shines in 2018 Chambers USA Rankings

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May 3, 2018 Kit Addleman, Purvi Albers, Paul Amiel, Jeffrey Becker, Charles Beckham, Michael Boone, Stacy Brainin, Ronald Breaux, Barry Buchman, Jeff Civins, Deborah Coldwell, Randall Colson, Eli Columbus, Nina Cortell, Jeff Dorrill, John Eldridge, Russ Emerson, John Fognani, Tom Harris, Mike Hatchell, Neal Kaminsky, Steven Koch, Robert Lauer, Lynne Liberato, Diana Liebmann, Ernest Martin, Michael Mazzone, David McCombs, Barry McNeil, Mary Mendoza, J. Frasher Murphy, Scott Night, Laura O'Donnell, Ian Peck, Stephen Pezanosky, Timothy Powers, Laura Prather, Karen Precella, Kent Rutter, Ann Saegert, Micah Skidmore, Robert Wilson

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**PRACTICES** Appellate, Antitrust and Competition, Energy Regulatory, Corporate, Employee Benefits and Executive Compensation, Energy, Power and Natural Resources, Environmental, Finance, Technology Transactions, Franchise and Distribution, Insurance Recovery, Intellectual Property, Labor and Employment, Litigation, Real Estate, Restructuring, Tax

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More than 50 Haynes Boone lawyers and 18 practice areas have been recognized in the 2018 *Chambers USA* legal directory published by Chambers & Partners.

The directory recognized the Appellate Group on its new “Spotlight Table” for its depth of practice and breadth of experience. Chambers also designated two of the firm’s practice areas as “recognized practices” with nationwide scope: Banking & Finance and Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation. And Technology: Outsourcing moved to a higher banding in Texas.

A total of 53 Haynes Boone lawyers, in offices across the country, were recognized by *Chambers USA* — three more than in 2017. Highlights included: Restructuring Group Partners Eli Columbus received a banding for the first time and J. Frasher Murphy advanced to a banding from “Up and Coming.”

Others elevated to higher bandings in 2018 were: Partners Ian Peck, Stacy Brainin, Kenya Woodruff and Micah Skidmore. Brainin also was named a “recognized practitioner” for White-collar Crime & Government Investigations Litigation.

“I am proud that the firm has maintained such a prominent presence in the Chambers USA directory, which underscores the extent to which our lawyers are recognized by peers and clients as leaders in their respective practice areas,” said Managing Partner Tim Powers.

The 2018 *Chambers USA* rankings also designated three other Haynes Boone lawyers as “recognized practitioners” for the first time: Kent Rutter in Appellate, Thad Behrens for Securities Litigation and Ron Breaux White-collar Crime & Government Investigations. (Breaux also is banded for Antitrust.)

Two lawyers who joined the firm in 2017 are ranked by Chambers: Insurance Recovery Partner Barry Buchman in the Washington, D.C. office, and Counsel Mike Hatchell, an appellate litigator in the Austin office.

Chambers ranks lawyers and practices based on thousands of interviews with leading practitioners and clients. Ranking criteria include technical legal ability, professional conduct, client service, commercial astuteness, diligence, commitment and other qualities most valued by legal clients.

These are the Haynes Boone practice groups recognized in 2018 by *Chambers USA*:

- Antitrust (Texas)
- Banking & Finance (Texas) (USA – Nationwide) Recognized Practice
- Bankruptcy/Restructuring (Texas) (USA – Nationwide)
- Corporate/M&A (Texas)
- Employees Benefits & Executive Compensation (USA – Nationwide) Recognized Practice
- Energy: State Regulatory & Litigation (Electricity) (Texas)
- Environment (Texas)
- Franchising (USA – Nationwide)
- Healthcare (Texas)
- Insurance (Texas)
- Intellectual Property (Texas)
- Labor & Employment (Texas)
- Litigation: Appellate (Texas) Spotlight Table
- Litigation: General Commercial (Texas)
- Real Estate (Texas) Real Estate: Mainly Corporate & Finance (New York)
- Real Estate (USA – Nationwide) Recognized Practice
- Tax (Texas)
- Technology: Outsourcing (Texas)

These Haynes Boone lawyers received rankings or recognition:

- [Kit Addleman](#) – Litigation: White-Collar Crime & Government Investigations (Texas), Securities: Regulation: Enforcement (USA - Nationwide)
- Robert Albergotti – Bankruptcy/Restructuring (Texas), Bankruptcy/Restructuring (USA - Nationwide)
- [Purvi Patel Albers](#) – Intellectual Property: Trade Mark & Copyright (Texas)
- [Paul Amiel](#) – Banking & Finance (Texas)
- [Jeffrey Becker](#) – Intellectual Property: Trade Mark & Copyright (Texas)
- [Charles Beckham Jr.](#) – Bankruptcy/Restructuring (Texas), Bankruptcy/Restructuring (USA - Nationwide)
- Thad Behrens – Recognized Practitioner for Litigation: Securities
- [Michael Boone](#) – Corporate/M&A (Texas)
- James D. Braddock – Environment (Texas)
- [Stacy Brainin](#) – Healthcare (Texas); Recognized Practitioner for Litigation: White-Collar Crime & Government Investigations (Texas)
- [Ronald W. Breaux](#) – Antitrust (Texas); Recognized Practitioner for Litigation: White-Collar Crime & Government Investigations (Texas)
- [Barry Buchman](#) – Insurance: Policyholder (District of Columbia)
- [Jeff Civins](#) – Environment (Texas)
- [Deborah S. Coldwell](#) – Franchising (USA - Nationwide)
- [Randall E. Colson](#) – Technology: Outsourcing (Texas)
- [Eli Columbus](#) – Bankruptcy/Restructuring (Texas)
- [Nina Cortell](#) – Litigation: Appellate (Texas)
- [Jeff Dorrill](#) – Recognized Practitioner for Tax
- [John R. Eldridge](#) – Environment (Texas)
- [Russell Emerson](#) – Intellectual Property (Texas)
- [John D. Fognani](#) – Natural Resources & Environment (Colorado)
- Daniel Gold – Litigation: Securities (Texas)
- [Tom Harris](#) – Recognized Practitioner for Corporate/M&A

- [Mike A. Hatchell](#) – Litigation: Appellate (Texas)
- Anne Johnson – Recognized Practitioner for Litigation: Appellate
- [Neal Kaminsky](#) – Banking & Finance (Texas)
- [Steven Koch](#) – Real Estate: Finance (New York)
- [Robert A. Lauer](#) – Franchising (USA - Nationwide)
- [Lynne Liberato](#) – Litigation: Appellate (Texas)
- [Diana Liebmann](#) – Energy: State Regulatory & Litigation (Electricity) (Texas)
- [Ernest Martin Jr.](#) – Insurance (Texas)
- [Michael J. Mazzone](#) – Environment (Texas)
- [David McCombs](#) – Intellectual Property (Texas)
- [Barry McNeil](#) – Antitrust (Texas)
- [Mary S. Mendoza](#) – Environment (Texas)
- [J. Frasher Murphy](#) – Bankruptcy/Restructuring (Texas)
- [Scott G. Night](#) – Banking & Finance (Texas)
- [Laura E. O'Donnell](#) – Labor & Employment (Texas)
- [Ian Peck](#) – Bankruptcy/Restructuring (Texas)
- [Stephen Pezanosky](#) – Bankruptcy/Restructuring (Texas)
- Phillip Philbin – Intellectual Property (Texas)
- [Timothy Powers](#) – Banking & Finance (Texas)
- Werner Powers – Insurance (Texas)
- [Laura Prather](#) – First Amendment Litigation (USA - Nationwide)
- [Karen S. Precella](#) – Litigation: Appellate (Texas)
- [Kent Rutter](#) – Recognized Practitioner for Litigation: Appellate
- [Ann Saegert](#) – Real Estate (Texas)
- Janice V. Sharry – Corporate/M&A (Texas)
- [Micah Skidmore](#) – Insurance (Texas)
- Patrick J. Sullivan – Energy: State Regulatory & Litigation (Electricity) (Texas)
- Mary-Christine (M.C.) Sungaila – Litigation: Appellate (California)
- [Robert Wilson](#) – Real Estate (Texas)
- Kenya S. Woodruff – Healthcare (Texas)