

# Benchmark Litigation Recognizes 8 Haynes Boone Attorneys and 2 Practices in 2025 Rankings

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*Benchmark Litigation* recognized Haynes Boone and eight of the firm’s lawyers in its 2025 rankings. The firm ranks in Tier 1 nationally in [Insurance](#) and is one of the top nine insurance litigation firms in the country. In Texas, Haynes Boone is also “recommended” in Dispute Resolution.

To put together the rankings, researchers conducted extensive interviews with a record number of litigators and their clients to identify the leading litigators and firms. During client and peer interviews, researchers examined recent casework handled by law firms and individual litigators and asked litigators to offer their opinions on peers.

The 2025 report recognizes the following Haynes Boone lawyers:

## United States (National) and District of Columbia:

- [Barry Buchman](#) – Insurance Litigation Star, National Practice Area Star

## United States (National) and Texas:

- [Ernest Martin](#) – Insurance Litigation Star, National Practice Area Star
- [Mark Trachtenberg](#) – Bankruptcy, Appellate, Commercial Litigation Star

## Texas:

- [David Ammons](#) – Commercial Litigation Star
- [Russ Emerson](#) – IP Litigation Star
- [Leslie Thorne](#) – Insurance, Commercial Litigation Star
- [Micah Skidmore](#) – Insurance Litigation Star

## New York:

- [Peter Halprin](#) – Insurance 40 and Under List, Future Litigation Star

Haynes Boone’s [Litigation Practice](#) takes a client-centered, creative, flexible and practical approach to commercial litigation. The firm’s skilled and experienced trial teams have won numerous successful jury and bench verdicts for their clients. Additionally, the group’s nationally recognized appellate team works closely with trial lawyers to ensure a complete and proper record is preserved at trial in case an appeal is filed. They represent a range of clients, in terms of both size and industry.