

## Haynes Boone's Franchise and Distribution Practice Ranks Among Nation's Best in Chambers USA

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*Chambers USA* (Chambers and Partners) ranked Haynes Boone among the Top 15 firms in the nation in franchise law in 2021.

*Chambers* noted that Haynes Boone (Band 3) possesses a “strong bench of lawyers providing notable . . . experience in franchising litigation, arbitration and alternative dispute resolution. Particularly well versed in helping businesses with international expansion and distribution. Recognized for . . . representing clients from the food, drink, hospitality, retail and travel sectors.”

*Chambers USA* also shared praise from clients who said:

- "The team works well together – they are efficient, and their bills are reasonable for the work being done."
- "They are subject matter experts in the areas we use them for and do an excellent job representing our interests."

Haynes Boone Partner [Deborah Coldwell](#) is one of only nine lawyers ranked Band 1 nationwide in franchise in *Chambers USA* 2021. The directory stated that she “is held in exceptionally high regard due to her experience in disputes concerning issues such as breach of contract, fraud and franchise terminations. Her clients include franchisors, distributors, joint ventures and partnerships.”

A market source, quoted by *Chambers USA*, said Coldwell “is very knowledgeable and well respected in the industry.”

*Chambers USA* also ranked Haynes Boone Partner [Rob Lauer](#), co-head of the firm’s Franchise and Distribution Practice Group, Band 4 nationwide. The directory stated that Lauer “works on transactional issues and is particularly skilled in working with those in the hospitality and restaurant sectors. A market source praised Lauer’s “sophisticated and expansive knowledge of international franchising.”

Members of Haynes Boone’s Franchise and Distribution Practice Group have experience in-house with franchise companies and outside in the real world working in the industries they serve. They seek to combine business skill and legal knowledge to balance the business objectives and economic expectations of franchise and distribution clients. The group also is ranked as a market leader in the 2021 edition of the *Chambers Global* directory.

Haynes Boone is an international corporate law firm with offices in Texas, New York, California, Charlotte, Chicago, Denver, Washington, D.C., London, Mexico City, and Shanghai, providing a full spectrum of legal services in energy, technology, financial services, and private equity. With more than 600 lawyers, Haynes Boone is ranked among the largest U.S.-based firms by *The National Law Journal*, *The American Lawyer*, and *The Lawyer*. It was recognized for excellence in the BTI

Consulting Group's 2021 "A-Team" report, which identifies the law firms that in-house counsel commend for providing superior client service.