

Haynes Boone Lawyers Featured in Chambers Global 2022 Directory

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PRACTICES Intellectual Property, Tax, Patents, Corporate Strategic M&A, Corporate, Franchise and Distribution, International Arbitration, Derivatives, Mergers and Acquisitions

Six Haynes Boone lawyers are ranked in the 2022 edition of the *Chambers Global* directory of the leading providers of legal services in the international marketplace.

Chambers is one of the world's leading legal research companies, developing rankings and offering insight about law firms across 200 jurisdictions. *Chambers* researchers praised Haynes Boone and the ranked lawyers, who were recognized as industry leaders globally and in the U.S., UK and Mexico markets.

Global Rankings

Chambers ranks Partner [Rob Lauer](#), co-chair of the firm's Franchise and Distribution Practice Group, among the Top 15 lawyers globally in Franchising. Lauer is hailed as a "good choice of counsel for franchisors seeking advice on international expansion, offering considerable experience in a range of global jurisdictions. He is also skilled at handling contentious matters, including pre-litigation franchise disputes."

U.S. Rankings

Partner and Firm Co-Founder [Michael Boone](#) is ranked in the Corporate/M&A (International & Cross-Border) Practice, drawing praise for being "highly experienced across the full spectrum of transactional work."

In the Intellectual Property - Patents Practice, Partner [David McCombs](#) is recognized for "regularly representing corporations in [*inter partes* review proceedings], patent litigation and appeals."

Chambers Global 2022 also ranks Partner [Matthew Frankle](#) as a U.S. leader in Derivatives and quoted clients who said: "He is very well-versed in all of the aspects of margin loans, both financing and the UCC9" and "has business and legal expertise in equity derivatives and margin loans."

UK Rankings

Partner [Melanie Willems](#), chair of the International Arbitration Practice Group in the London office, is ranked as a top UK lawyer in Dispute Resolution: International Arbitration.

"As head of the international arbitration team, Melanie Willems has significant experience in handling commercial arbitrations," *Chambers* wrote, adding: "She is particularly adept at tackling complex claims for clients in the energy and hospitality sector." Clients lauded Melanie, saying she "is a superb operator and cuts through complexity with precision and ease" and is "a very experienced litigation and arbitration specialist [who] is incredibly loyal to her clients' interests."

Mexico Rankings

In the Tax: Non-Contentious practice category, [Edgar Klee](#), partner and administrative partner of Haynes Boone's Mexico City office, is recognized in *Chambers Global* for "assisting clients with non-contentious tax mandates in Mexico." The directory quoted a market insider, who said: "Edgar Klee is excellent in tax structuring and is a skilled and renowned lawyer in this area."

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 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.