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# MORE THAN 100 VORYS ATTORNEYS NAMED TO 2015 THE BEST LAWYERS IN AMERICA® LIST

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One-hundred and ten lawyers from Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease were recently selected by their peers for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*® 2015.

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. *Corporate Counsel* magazine has called *Best Lawyers* “the most respected referral list of attorneys in practice.”

Vorys has the most 2015 Best Lawyers in Columbus. The Best Lawyers from the Vorys Columbus office are:

- **W. Jonathan Airey** - Oil & Gas Law
- **Anker M. Bell** - Commercial Litigation, Corporate Law
- **Theodore A. Boggs** - Environmental Law, Litigation - Environmental
- **Ross Bridgman** - Employment Law - Management, Labor Law - Management
- **Stephen R. Buchenroth** - Franchise Law, Real Estate Law
- **Michael J. Canter** - Antitrust Law, Litigation - Antitrust
- **Nelson D. Cary** - Employment Law – Management, Labor Law – Management, Litigation - Labor & Employment
- **Michael A. Cline** - Corporate Law
- **David W. Cook** - Immigration Law
- **Perry W. Doran** - Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions Defendants
- **Mary Ellen Fairfield** - Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Labor & Employment, Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants, Product Liability Litigation - Defendants
- **Gerald P. Ferguson** - Litigation - Intellectual Property
- **Shawn M. Flahive** - Corporate Compliance Law, Corporate Governance Law, Corporate Law
- **Jackie Ford** - Employment Law – Management, Employment Law – Individuals, Labor Law – Management
- **Sheila Nolan Gartland** - Real Estate Law
- **Russell M. Gertmenian** - Corporate Compliance Law, Corporate Governance Law
- **Robert A. Harris** - Employment Law – Management
- **Herbert A. Hedden** - Franchise Law

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Gregory D. Russell  
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Richard D. Schuster  
Michael G. Schwartz  
Michael J. Settineri  
Andrew C. Smith  
Elizabeth T. Smith  
J. Theodore Smith  
David A. Swift  
Thomas E. Szykowny  
Jill S. Tangeman  
J. Bret Treier  
Mark E. Vannatta  
Jonathan R. Vaughn  
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John B. Weimer  
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James A. Wilson  
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Antitrust and Trade Regulation  
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Litigation  
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Bankruptcy and Creditors' Rights  
Construction  
Corporate and Business  
Organizations  
Employee Benefits and Executive  
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- **Kimberly Weber Herlihy** - Commercial Litigation
- **Reginald W. Jackson** - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- **Dan L. Jaffe** - Tax Law
- **Benita A. Kahn** - Energy Law
- **John K. Keller** - Oil & Gas Law
- **Allen S. Kinzer** - Employment Law – Management, Labor Law – Management, Litigation - Labor & Employment
- **William D. Kloss, Jr.** - Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants
- **Mark A. Knueve** - Employment Law - Management, Litigation - Labor & Employment
- **John J. Kulewicz** - Appellate Practice, Civil Rights Law
- **John L. Landolfi** - Commercial Litigation
- **Randall D. LaTour** - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Litigation - Bankruptcy
- **Michael G. Long** - Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation
- **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
- **Linda R. Mendel** - Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law
- **Fredrick E. Mills** - Government Relations Practice
- **Daniel J. Minor** - Real Estate Law
- **Robert A. Minor** - Workers' Compensation Law - Employers
- **Jonathan M. Norman** - Employment Law - Individuals, Employment Law - Management, Labor Law - Management, Litigation - Labor & Employment
- **M. Howard Petricoff** - Energy Law
- **William G. Porter** - Commercial Litigation, Eminent Domain and Condemnation Law
- **Scott Powell** – Tax Law
- **Frederick L. Ransier** - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/ Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- **Lisa Pierce Reisz** – Health Care Law
- **Russell R. Rosler** - Corporate Law
- **Ronald L. Rowland** - Tax Law, Trusts and Estates
- **Thomas O. Ruby** - Banking and Finance Law, Equipment Finance Law

Employment Litigation  
Energy and Utilities  
Environmental  
False Claims Act and Qui Tam  
Finance  
Franchising and Distribution  
Government Relations  
Health Care  
Information Technology, New  
Media and Advertising  
Insurance  
Intellectual Property  
Intellectual Property,  
Entertainment, and Technology  
Protection  
International  
Labor and Employment  
Litigation  
Oil and Gas  
Products Liability  
Real Estate  
Taxation  
Toxic Torts  
Trusts, Estates, and Wealth  
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Workers' Compensation  
Zoning and Land Use Planning

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- **Gregory D. Russell** - Energy Law
- **Allen L. Rutz** - Construction Law
- **D. Michael Schira** - Real Estate Law
- **Richard D. Schuster** - Commercial Litigation; Personal Injury Litigation
- **Michael J. Settineri** - Energy Law
- **Bradley K. Sinnott** - Workers' Compensation Law - Employers
- **Carl D. Smallwood** - Appellate, Commercial Litigation, Mass Tort Litigation/Class Actions - Defendants, Product Liability Litigation - Defendants, Workers' Compensation Law - Employers
- **Andrew C. Smith** - Employment Law - Management, Labor Law - Management
- **Elizabeth T. Smith** - Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants
- **J. Theodore Smith** - Construction Law, Real Estate Law
- **David A. Swift** - Trusts and Estates
- **Thomas E. Szykowny** - Insurance Law
- **Robert E. Tait** - Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions - Defendants
- **Jill S. Tangeman** - Land Use & Zoning Law
- **Thomas M. Tarpy** - Employment Law - Management, Labor Law - Management
- **Mark E. Vannatta** - Non-Profit/Charities Law, Tax Law, Trusts and Estates
- **Jonathan R. Vaughn** - Employment Law - Management, Labor Law - Management, Litigation - Labor & Employment
- **John C. Vorys** - Banking and Finance Law, Corporate Law
- **Webb I. Vorys** - Corporate Law
- **Travis J. Wahl** - Banking and Finance Law
- **Kristin L. Watt** - Environmental Law, Litigation - Environmental
- **John B. Weimer** - Banking and Finance Law, Equipment Finance Law
- **Anthony D. Weis** - Mergers & Acquisitions Law
- **John P. Wellner** - Real Estate Law
- **James A. Wilson** - Antitrust Law, Litigation - Antitrust
- **Kelly Jennings Yeoman** - Employment Law - Management
- **Scott J. Ziance** - Public Finance Law

*Best Lawyers* from the Vorys Cincinnati office are:

- **Terri R. Abare** - Corporate Compliance Law, Banking and Finance Law, Corporate Governance Law, Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- **Melvin A. Bedree** - Banking and Finance Law, Franchise Law

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- **Charles C. Bissinger, Jr.** - Real Estate Law
- **Kent A. Britt** - Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Construction, Litigation - ERISA
- **Daniel J. Buckley** - Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Personal Injury Litigation
- **David A. Groenke** - Trusts and Estates
- **Hani R. Kallas** - Banking and Finance Law
- **Andrew M. Kaplan** - Workers' Compensation Law - Employers
- **Nathaniel Lampley, Jr.** - Commercial Litigation
- **Roger E. Lautzenhiser, Jr.** - Corporate Law
- **Jeffrey A. Marks** - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/ Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- **Mark A. Norman** - Environmental Law, Litigation - Environmental
- **Eric W. Richardson** - Commercial Litigation
- **Kimberly A. Schaefer** - Corporate Law
- **Michael G. Schwartz** - Tax Law, Trusts and Estates
- **Donald J. Shuller** - Real Estate Law
- **Victor A. Walton, Jr.** - Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Banking and Finance, Litigation - Labor & Employment
- **Rosemary D. Welsh** - Product Liability Litigation - Defendants
- **Glenn V. Whitaker** - Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Criminal Defense: White-Collar, Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants, Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs, Qui Tam Law

*Best Lawyers* from the Vorys Cleveland office are:

- **Matthew E. Albers** - Health Care Law
- **Barton A. Bixenstine** - Employment Law - Management, Litigation - Labor & Employment
- **Bryan J. Farkas** - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Litigation - Bankruptcy
- **James J. McMonagle** - Arbitration, Mediation
- **Anthony J. O'Malley** - Commercial Litigation
- **Drew T. Parobek** - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- **David J. Tocco** - Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Securities

*Best Lawyers* from the Vorys Akron office are:

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- **F. Daniel Balmert** - Workers' Compensation Law – Employers
- **Thomas R. Crookes** - Commercial Litigation, Labor Law - Management
- **Philip F. Downey** - Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation
- **Jay P. Porter** - Real Estate Law
- **J. Bret Treier** - Corporate Governance Law, Corporate Law

*Best Lawyers* from the Vorys Houston office are:

- **Stephen D. Browning** - Real Estate Law
- **Thomas H. Grace** - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- **David A. Oliver** - Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions - Defendants
- **Robert A. Seale, Jr.** – Tax Law, Trusts and Estates

*Best Lawyers* from the Vorys Washington, D.C. office are:

- **Pamela A. Bresnahan**- Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Ethics and Professional Responsibility Law, Legal Malpractice Law - Defendants

In addition, seven Vorys attorneys have been named Best Lawyers' 2015 Lawyers of the Year. Each year, only a single lawyer in each specialty in each community is honored as the "Lawyer of the Year." To learn more about those lawyers, [click here](#).

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