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# Choate Attorneys Recognized as 2026 Thomson Reuters Stand-Out Lawyers

Choate attorneys, Doug Gooding, Rob Kole, and Steve Meredith, have been recognized as 2026 Thomson Reuters Stand-out Lawyers, an honor awarded to attorneys who demonstrate exceptional client service. Stand-out Lawyers are recognized for driving outstanding client satisfaction, delivering strong advocacy, strengthening brand and market position, and fostering higher engagement and profitability.

Thomson Reuters compiles its Stand-Out Lawyers listing based on recommendations from more than 2,000 senior global in-house counsel gathered through its global Sharplegal study. Because these nominations come directly from clients, the list is free of law firm influence and highlights lawyers recognized worldwide for exceptional standing.

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**Douglas R. Gooding**

Restructuring &amp; Bankruptcy Market Leader

**Robert A. Kole**

Co-Managing Partner

**Stephen O. Meredith**

Senior Counsel