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Choate Attorneys Recognized in Best Lawyers in America® 2024

The Best Lawyers in America® has recognized 43 Choate attorneys in its 2024 edition. Recognition in Best Lawyers® is based entirely on peer review and is widely regarded by both clients and legal professionals as a significant honor.

Four partners – A. Silvana (Nan) Giner for Closely Held Companies and Family Businesses Law, Diana K. Lloyd for Securities Litigation, Douglas R. Gooding for Bankruptcy Litigation, and John R. Pitfield for Securities Regulation – are named "Lawyer of the Year" in Boston for their respective practice areas. This recognition is awarded to individual attorneys with the highest overall peer-feedback for a specific practice area and geographic region.

Additionally, four attorneys –Kristen C. Buteau for Patent Law, Stephanie L. Schonewald, Ph.D. for Intellectual Property Law and Patent Law, Natalia Smychkovich for Commercial Litigation, and Kristen R. Tuden for Trusts and Estates – are listed as "Ones to Watch" in Boston. These awards are given to attorneys who are earlier in their careers for outstanding professional excellence in private practice in the United States.

More than 30 Choate attorneys have been recognized for over 10 years and many are listed in multiple categories, including:

Antitrust Law – Robert M. Buchanan, Jr

Banking and Finance Law – Scott J. Moore, Peter M. Palladino, and John F. Ventola

Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law – Douglas R. Gooding, Kevin J. Simard, and John F. Ventola

Bet-the-Company Litigation – Jack Cinquegrana and Douglas R. Gooding

Biotechnology & Life Sciences Law – Michael H. Bunis, Brenda Herschbach Jarrell, PhD, Charles E. Lyon, DPhil, Eric J. Marandett, and Paul D. Popeo

Business Organizations (Including LLCs and Partnerships) – William P. Gelnaw, Jr.

Closely Held Companies and Family Businesses Law – William P. Gelnaw, Jr. and A. Silvana (Nan) Giner

Commercial Litigation – Michael H. Bunis, Mark D. Cahill, Jack Cinquegrana, Robert S. Frank, Jr., Michael T. Gass, and E. Macey Russell

Corporate Law – William P. Gelnaw, Jr., Brian P. Lenihan, John A. Meltaus, and Peter M. Palladino

Corporate Compliance Law – Michael T. Gass

Corporate Governance Law – Michael T. Gass

Criminal Defense: General Practice – Jack Cinquegrana and Diana K. Lloyd

Criminal Defense: White Collar – Adam J. Bookbinder, Jack Cinquegrana, Diana K. Lloyd, and Melissa Bayer Tearney

Employment Law: Management – Alison F. Reif

Health Care Law – Lee S. Feldman, Julia R. Hesse, and Christine G. Savage

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Insurance Law – David A. Attisani and Robert A. Kole

Litigation: Antitrust – Robert M. Buchanan, Jr.

Litigation: Bankruptcy – Douglas R. Gooding and John F. Ventola

Litigation: Intellectual Property – Michael H. Bunis, Robert S. Frank, Jr., Eric J. Marandett, and Paul D. Popeo

Litigation: Patent – Robert S. Frank, Jr. and Eric J. Marandett

Litigation: Securities – Jack Cinquegrana and Diana K. Lloyd

Non-Profit/Charities Law – Charles A. Cheever

Patent Law – Brenda Herschbach Jarrell, Ph.D., Charles E. Lyon, DPhil, and Rolando Medina, PhD

Privacy and Data Security Law – Adam J. Bookbinder

Project Finance Law – Peter M. Palladino

Real Estate Law – Gregg B. Cosimi, Brian J. King, and Paul C. Laudano

Securities Regulation – John R. Pitfield

Securitization and Structured Finance Law – Peter M. Palladino

Tax Law – Louis J. Marett

Technology Law – John A. Meltaus

Trade Secrets Law – Paul D. Popeo

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