

AWARDS & ACCOLADES | 08.15.2024

Choate Attorneys Recognized in Best Lawyers in America® 2025

The Best Lawyers in America® has recognized 44 Choate attorneys in its 2025 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 – Marc J. Bloostein for Trusts and Estates, Adam J. Bookbinder for Privacy and Data Security Law, Robert M. Buchanan for Antitrust Law, and Douglas R. Gooding for Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law – 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, five attorneys – Kristen C. Buteau for Patent Law, Hampton Foushee for Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization 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 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 – 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.

Commercial Litigation – Michael H. Bunis, Jack Cinquegrana, Robert S. Frank, Jr., and Michael T. Gass

Corporate Law – William P. Gelnaw, Jr., Brian P. Lenihan, John A. Meltaus, Stephen O. Meredith, 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 and Christine G. Savage

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 – Cameron Casey and Charles A. Cheever

Patent Law – Brenda Herschbach Jarrell, PhD, 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

Technology Law – John A. Meltaus

Trusts & Estates – Kristin T. Abati, Marc J. Bloostein, Cameron Casey, Charles A. Cheever, Kimberly E. Cohen, Jennifer S. Ewing, Geoffrey Mason, and Brian W. Monnich

Venture Capital Law – Brian P. Lenihan and John A. Meltaus

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