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# Choate Ranks Highly in Benchmark Litigation 2026

Choate earned high rankings in Benchmark Litigation's 2026 annual survey of the top attorneys and law firms in the United States, including naming Choate a "highly recommended" Massachusetts dispute resolution law firm and eleven attorneys "Litigation Stars."

Benchmark Litigation is the only publication on the market to focus exclusively on litigation in the United States. Many of the firm's attorneys were listed in multiple categories, including Michael Bunis and Eric Marandett as "National Practice Area Stars."

Choate's 2026 Benchmark Litigation Stars include:

David Attisani – Insurance (Massachusetts)

Michael Bunis – Intellectual Property (National Practice Area and Massachusetts)

Robert Frank – Intellectual Property, Competition/Antitrust, Commercial (Massachusetts)

Michael Gass – Securities (Massachusetts)

Robert Kole – Insurance (Massachusetts)

Eric Marandett – Intellectual Property (National Practice Area and Massachusetts)

Paul Popeo – Intellectual Property, Commercial (Massachusetts)

Samuel Rudman – Competition/Antitrust, Commercial (Massachusetts)

Christine Savage – Healthcare (Massachusetts)

Melissa Tearney – Litigation (National and Massachusetts)

Sophie Wang – Intellectual Property (Massachusetts)

Benchmark Litigation researchers conduct extensive interviews with litigators, dispute resolution specialists and their clients to identify the leading litigators and firms. During these interviews, researchers examine recent casework handled by law firms and ask individual litigators to provide their professional opinions on peers and practitioners within their jurisdiction or practice area.

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