

# The Legal 500 United States 2020 Recognizes 42 Proskauer Practices and 136 Individual Lawyers

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**New York**, June 12, 2020 – Proskauer, a leading international law firm, has again been ranked as one of the top law firms in the 2020 edition of *The Legal 500 United States*, one of the leading independent legal industry guides. Based on independent research and client feedback, the Firm earned rankings across 42 practices, and 136 lawyers were distinguished as among the best in their field, with 46 of those receiving hall of fame, leading lawyer, next generation, or rising star recognition.

Our first-tier rankings included:

- Labor & Employment: Disputes Defense (including Collective Actions)
- Labor & Employment: Labor Management Relations
- Labor & Employment: Workplace and Employment Counseling
- Labor & Employment: Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation: Retirement Plan Design
- Media, Technology & Telecoms: Advertising & Marketing: Litigation
- Sports

The Firm was also named a leader in the following practice areas:

- Antitrust: Civil Litigation/Class Actions
- Appellate: Court of Appeals
- Appellate: Supreme Court (Federal and State)
- Commercial Lending: Advice to Borrowers
- Commercial Lending: Advice to Lenders
- Copyright
- Corporate Investigation and White Collar Criminal Defense
- Cyber Law (including Data Protection & Privacy)

- Dispute Resolution: Corporate Investigations and White Collar Criminal Defense: Advice to Individuals
- Environment: Transactional
- General Commercial Disputes
- Healthcare: Life Sciences
- Healthcare: Service Providers
- Insurance: Advice to Policyholders
- International Tax
- Investment Fund Formation & Management: Alternative/Hedge Funds
- Investment Fund Formation & Management: Mutual/Registered Funds/Exchange-Traded Funds
- Investment Fund Formation & Management: Private Equity Funds
- Labor & Employment: Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation and Retirement Plans: Transactions
- Labor & Employment: ERISA Litigation
- Labor & Employment: Immigration
- M&A Corporate & Commercial: Large Deals (\$1bn+)
- M&A Corporate & Commercial: Private Equity Buyouts
- Media and Entertainment Litigation
- Media and Entertainment Transactions
- Not-For-Profit (Nonprofit and Tax Exempt Organizations)
- Real Estate
- Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs)
- Restructuring (including Bankruptcy): Corporate
- Securities: Litigation Defense
- Technology: Outsourcing
- Technology: Transactions
- Telecoms and Broadcast: Transactional
- Trade Secrets
- Trademarks: Litigation

- U.S. Taxes: Non-Contentious

### **Hall of Fame:**

- Mark Batten – Labor & Employment: Disputes Defense (including Collective Actions) and Labor Management Relations
- Martin Bienenstock – Restructuring (including Bankruptcy): Corporate
- Stuart Coleman – Invest Fund Formation & Management: Mutual/Registered Funds
- David Grunblatt – Labor & Employment: Immigration
- Paul Hamburger – Employee Benefits, Executive Compensation and Retirement Plans: Design
- Joe Leccese – Sports
- David Miller – Tax: Financial Products; US Taxes: Non-Contentious
- Brendan O’Rourke – Advertising & Marketing: Litigation, Transactional and Regulatory
- Robin Painter – Investment Fund Formation & Management: Private Equity Funds; Venture Capital and Emerging Companies
- Betsy Plevan – Labor & Employment Disputes Defense (including Collective Actions); Labor and Employment Disputes (including Collective Actions) Plaintiff; and Labor & Employment: Workplace and Employment Counseling
- Bernard Plum – Labor & Employment: Labor Management Relations
- Myron Rumeld – ERISA Litigation; Appellate: Court of Appeals
- Bradley Ruskin – Sports
- Paul Salvatore – Labor Management Relations
- Seth Schafler – Insurance Advice to Policyholders
- Larry Weinstein – Advertising & Marketing: Litigation, Transactional and Regulatory

### **Leading Lawyers:**

- Neil Abramson – Labor Management Relations
- Ann Ashton – Securities: Litigation Defense
- Elise Bloom – Labor & Employment Disputes Defense (including Collective Actions)
- Michael Choate – Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs)
- Sandra Crawshaw-Sparks – Copyright

- Steven Ellis – Commercial Lending: Advice to Borrowers
- John Failla – Insurance: Advice to Policyholders
- Ralph Ferrara – Securities: Litigation Defense
- Russell Hirschhorn – ERISA Litigation
- Jeff Marwil – Restructuring (including Bankruptcy)
- Amanda Nussbaum – US Taxes: Non-Contentious
- Anthony Oncidi – Labor & Employment: Disputes (including Collective Actions): Defense
- Andrea Rattner – Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation: Transactional
- Neal Schelberg – Employee Health and Retirement Plan
- Ronald Sernau – Real Estate

#### **Next Generation:**

- Guy Brenner – Labor & Employment: Workplace and Employment Counseling
- Evandro Gigante – Labor & Employment Disputes Defense (including Collective Actions)
- Keisha-Ann Gray – Labor & Employment: Workplace and Employment Counseling
- Susan Gutierrez - General Commercial Disputes
- Nathan Lander – Insurance Advice to Policyholders
- Valarie McPherson – Labor & Employment: Immigration
- Joshua Miller – Employee Benefits & Exec Compensation: Transactional
- Rachel Phillion – Labor & Employment Disputes Defense (including Collective Actions)
- Seth Safra – Labor & Employment: Employee Health and Retirement Plan
- Frank Saviano – Sports

#### **Rising Stars:**

- Lindsey Collins – Corporate Investigations and White Collar Criminal Defense: Advice to Corporates
- Eliska Krausova – Real Estate
- Steven Porzio – Labor Management Relations

- Jeffrey Warshafsky – Advertising & Marketing: Litigation
- Jennifer Yang – Advertising & Marketing: Litigation

#### Related Professionals

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