

74 FOULSTON SIEFKIN LLP ATTORNEYS NAMED TO 2025 BEST LAWYERS® LISTS

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Wichita, KAN. – A total of 74 Foulston Siefkin attorneys have been recognized in the 2025 Editions of *The Best Lawyers in America*® and *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch*® in America, including 19 honored as “Lawyer of the Year” in a specific practice area and city. First published in 1983, Best Lawyers® is a well-known reference work that uses peer feedback to develop lawyer rankings.

Attorneys recognized by Best Lawyers® are reviewed by their peers based on professional experience and undergo an authentication process to make sure they are in current practice and in good standing. Only one lawyer in each practice area and location is honored as the “Lawyer of the Year,” based on peer assessments. This designation reflects the high level of respect a lawyer has earned among other leading lawyers in the same communities and the same practice areas for their abilities, their professionalism, and their integrity. *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch*® in America recognizes lawyers who are earlier in their careers for their professional excellence.

The following 19 Foulston attorneys were recognized as the Best Lawyers® 2025 “Lawyer of the Year” in these cities and practice areas:

Kansas City, Kansas

- Tara Eberline – Employment Law - Management and Litigation - Municipal
- Jack Epps – Business Organizations (Including LLCs and Partnerships)
- Scott Nehrbass – Litigation - Real Estate
- Scott Palecki – Health Care Law
- Tony Rupp – Litigation - Land Use and Zoning

Topeka, Kansas

- Jeremy Graber – Litigation - Trusts and Estates and Trusts and Estates

Wichita, Kansas

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- Kevin Arnel – Nonprofit/Charities Law
- Brooke Bennett Aziere – Health Care Law
- Boyd Byers – Litigation – Labor and Employment
- Charles Efflandt – Environmental Law and Litigation - Environmental
- Jay Fowler – Litigation – Intellectual Property
- Jeffery Jordan – Litigation – Banking and Finance
- Andrew Nolan – Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships) and Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- Michael Norton – Litigation - Trusts and Estates
- David Rogers – Arbitration
- Kyle Steadman – Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants
- Stewart Weaver – Elder Law and Trust and Estates
- Craig West – Litigation - Insurance
- William Wood, II – Corporate Law

The following 55 Foulston attorneys were recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America*® 2025 in these practice areas and geographic locations (some were previously mentioned as a “Lawyer of the Year”):

Kansas City, Kansas

- Brian Boos – Commercial Litigation, Insurance Law, Litigation - Insurance, Medical Malpractice Law - Defendants, Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants, Product Liability Litigation - Defendants
- Daniel Buller – Commercial Litigation
- Vaughn Burkholder – Employment Law - Management, Litigation - Labor and Employment
- Tara Eberline – Employment Law - Management, Litigation - Labor and Employment, Litigation -Municipal
- Jack Epps – Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships), Corporate Law, Commercial Finance Law, Land Use and Zoning Law, Leisure and Hospitality Law, Real Estate Law
- Joshua Hill – Banking and Finance Law, Real Estate Law, Securitization and Structured Finance Law
- Scott Nehrbass – Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Banking and Finance, Litigation - ERISA, Litigation - Intellectual Property, Litigation - Real Estate, Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants
- James Oliver – Appellate Practice, Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Corporate Law, Litigation - Antitrust, Litigation - Banking and Finance, Litigation - Regulatory Enforcement (SEC, Telecom, Energy), Litigation - Securities, Mining Law, Securities/Capital Markets Law
- Scott Palecki – Health Care Law
- John Peck – Natural Resources Law, Water Law
- Tony Rupp – Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Banking and Finance, Litigation - Land Use and Zoning, Litigation - Municipal, Medical Malpractice Law - Defendants, Municipal Law, Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants
- Matthew Stromberg – Commercial Litigation
- Jim Zakoura – Energy Law

Topeka, Kansas

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ATTORNEYS AT LAW

- Jeremy Graber – Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships), Closely Held Companies and Family Businesses Law, Corporate Law, Litigation - Trusts and Estates, Tax Law, Trusts and Estates
- Dick Hay – Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law, Health Care Law
- James Rankin – Administrative / Regulatory Law, Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law, Government Relations Practice, Litigation - ERISA

Wichita, Kansas

- Stanley Andeel – Corporate Law, Health Care Law, Tax Law, Trusts and Estates
- James Armstrong – Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Legal Malpractice Law - Defendants, Litigation - Antitrust, Litigation - Intellectual Property, Litigation - Labor and Employment, Litigation - Regulatory Enforcement (SEC, Telecom, Energy), Litigation - Securities
- Kevin Arnel – Corporate Law, Nonprofit / Charities Law, Tax Law
- Gary Ayers – Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Criminal Defense: White-Collar, Health Care Law, Litigation - Health Care, Qui Tam Law, Trade Secrets Law
- Brooke Bennett Aziere – Health Care Law
- Donald Berner – Employment Law - Management, Labor Law - Management, Litigation - Labor and Employment
- Matthew Bish – Elder Law, Trusts and Estates
- Boyd Byers – Employment Law - Management, Labor Law - Management, Litigation – ERISA, Litigation - Labor and Employment
- Jeff DeGraffenreid – Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Labor and Employment, Mediation
- Holly Dyer – Appellate Practice, Commercial Litigation, Electronic Discovery and Information Management Law, Ethics and Professional Responsibility Law, Litigation - Intellectual Property, Litigation - Municipal, Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants, Professional Malpractice Law - Defendants
- Charles Efflandt – Environmental Law, Litigation - Environmental
- Jay Fowler – Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Banking and Finance, Litigation - Intellectual Property, Litigation - Municipal, Litigation - Trusts and Estates
- Douglas Hanisch – Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law
- Karl Hesse – Natural Resources Law, Real Estate Law
- Wyatt Hoch – Arbitration, Construction Law, Litigation - Construction, Professional Malpractice Law - Defendants
- Christopher Hurst – Tax Law
- Jeffery Jordan – Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Ethics and Professional Responsibility Law, Litigation - Antitrust, Litigation - Banking and Finance, Litigation - Bankruptcy, Litigation - Construction, Litigation and Controversy - Tax
- Gordon Kirsten, II – Banking and Finance Law
- Amy Lemley – Medical Malpractice Law - Defendants, Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants
- William Matthews – Copyright Law, Franchise Law, Information Technology Law, Trademark Law
- Charles McClellan – Litigation - Labor and Employment
- Corey Moomaw – Trusts and Estates
- Andrew Nolan – Business Organizations (Including LLCs and Partnerships), Closely Held Companies and Family Businesses Law, Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Tax Law
- Michael Norton – Commercial Litigation, Copyright Law, Insurance Law, Litigation - Insurance, Litigation - Trusts and Estates, Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants

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- Forrest Rhodes, Jr. – Employment Law - Management, Litigation - Labor and Employment
- David Rogers – Arbitration, Education Law, Litigation - Labor and Employment, Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants, Product Liability Litigation - Defendants
- Teresa Shulda – Civil Rights Law, Employment Law – Management, Litigation – Labor and Employment
- Robert Smith – Real Estate Law
- Harvey Sorensen – Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Tax Law, Venture Capital Law
- Kyle Steadman – Commercial Litigation, Insurance Law, Litigation - Insurance, Mediation, Medical Malpractice Law - Defendants, Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants
- David Traster – Energy Law, Environmental Law, Litigation - Environmental, Water Law
- Patricia Voth Blankenship – Real Estate Law
- C. Edward Watson, II – Employment Law - Management
- Shannon Wead – Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Banking and Finance, Litigation - Bankruptcy, Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants
- Stewart Weaver – Elder Law, Trusts and Estates
- Craig West – Insurance Law, Litigation - Insurance, Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants
- Rachel Wetta – Litigation - Insurance, Litigation - Labor and Employment
- William Wood, II – Banking and Finance Law, Commercial Finance Law, Corporate Compliance Law, Corporate Governance Law, Corporate Law, Financial Services Regulation Law, Franchise Law, Leveraged Buyouts and Private Equity Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Project Finance Law, Real Estate Law, Securities / Capital Markets Law
- Charles Woodin – Energy Law, Mining Law, Natural Resources Law

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Kansas City, Kansas

- Cameron Bernard – Medical Malpractice Law - Defendants, Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants
- Travis Hanson – Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Labor and Employment
- Nancy Musick – Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Labor and Employment
- Sarah Otto – Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Banking and Finance, Litigation - Labor and Employment, Privacy and Data Security Law
- Alex Schulte – Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships), Corporate Governance and Compliance Law, Corporate Law, Health Care Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- Sarah Stula – Appellate Practice, Civil Rights Law, Commercial Litigation, Energy Law, Labor and Employment Law - Management, Litigation - Labor and Employment
- Eric Turner – Appellate Practice, Civil Rights Law, Commercial Litigation, Labor and Employment Law - Management, Litigation - Labor and Employment
- Amanda Wilwert – Administrative/Regulatory Law, Corporate Governance and Compliance Law, Health Care Law, Privacy and Data Security Law

Topeka, Kansas

- Jacob Holly – Closely Held Companies and Family Businesses Law, Corporate Law, Real Estate Law
- Andrew Wiederholt – Litigation - Construction

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Wichita, Kansas

- Sarah Buchanan – Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships)
- Trent Byquist – Banking and Finance Law, Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships), Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- Morgan Geffre – Labor and Employment Law - Management
- Clayton Kaiser – Appellate Practice, Commercial Litigation, Criminal Defense: White-Collar, Health Care Law, Professional Malpractice Law
- Wesley Kimmel – Real Estate Law
- Jeremy Koehler – Commercial Litigation, Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants
- Emily Matta – Litigation - Labor and Employment
- Robert McFadden – Energy Law, Environmental Law, Natural Resources Law, Oil and Gas Law
- Samuel Walenz – Health Care Law

As the largest law firm based in Kansas, with offices in Kansas City, Topeka, and Wichita, Foulston Siefkin LLP provides legal services to a broad range of clients — from large national and international corporations to small businesses to individuals. Foulston’s lawyers are consistently recognized as among the leading lawyers in the United States. For more than 100 years, Foulston’s lawyers have provided counsel in a wide range of practice areas, including civil and complex litigation, tax, business matters, employment and labor, and healthcare. For more information, contact Tammy Allen, chief marketing officer, at (316) 291-9572, tallen@foulston.com; or visit www.foulston.com.