

Chambliss Attorneys Selected for Best Lawyers in America© 2022

Chambliss, Bahner & Stophel, P.C. is honored to announce *Best Lawyers in America*® named five attorneys as “Lawyer of the Year” in the Chattanooga area among the 25 selected for [The Best Lawyers in America© 2022](#). In addition, 12 Chambliss attorneys were named to the second edition of [Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch](#) list.

The five Chambliss attorneys recognized as [2022 Chattanooga “Lawyer of the Year”](#) include Justice William “Muecke” M. Barker, Timothy “Tim” M. Gibbons, Richard “Rick” T. Hudson, J. Nelson Irvine, and Mark Turner.

Attorney Name	2022 “Lawyer of the Year” Awards, Chattanooga, Practice Area
William “Muecke” M. Barker	Arbitration
Timothy “Tim” M. Gibbons	Construction Law
Richard “Rick” T. Hudson	Real Estate Law
J. Nelson Irvine	Nonprofit / Charities Law
Mark Turner	Securitization and Structured Finance Law

Each lawyer represents a wide variety of clients across the nation on matters ranging from elder law to product liability disputes. Turner concentrates his practice on business financing and transactions. Gibbons counsels clients in construction and development law. Justice Barker focuses his practice on arbitration and mediation. Hudson guides clients in real estate law matters and clients turn to Irvine for advice in corporate law, mergers and acquisitions, and nonprofit and charities law.

Best Lawyers selects only one lawyer in each practice area and geographic region as the “Lawyer of the Year.” The publication selects lawyers based on voting averages received during the peer review assessments. Receiving this designation reflects the high level of respect each lawyer has earned among other leading lawyers in the same communities and same practice areas for their abilities, professionalism, and integrity.

Best Lawyers recognized 24 Chambliss attorneys in *The Best Lawyers in America*© 2022:

Attorney Name	Practice Area
William P. Aiken	Corporate Law, Health Care Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law
T. Maxfield Bahner	Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Antitrust, Litigation – First Amendment
William “Muecke” M. Barker	Arbitration, Mediation
Mark A. Cunningham	Corporate Law, Health Care Law
Cathy S. Dorvil	Litigation – Health Care
James “Jim” F. Exum III	Insurance Law
Timothy “Tim” M. Gibbons	Construction Law, Litigation – Construction
Jeffrey “Jeff” G. Granillo	Commercial Litigation, Product Liability Litigation – Defendants
David J. Hill	Copyright Law, Patent Law, Trademark Law
Frederick “Rick” L. Hitchcock	Energy Law
Richard “Rick” T. Hudson	Real Estate Law
J. Nelson Irvine	Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Nonprofit / Charities Law
Anthony “Bud” A. Jackson	Litigation – First Amendment, Media Law
John G. Jackson	Litigation – Intellectual Property

Jeffrey W. Maddux	Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Bankruptcy
Harold “Hal” L. North, Jr.	Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law
Dana B. Perry	Elder Law, Trusts and Estates
William H. Pickering	Employment Law – Management, Litigation – Labor and Employment
M. Craig Smith	Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law
Michael N. St. Charles	Real Estate Law
Mark Turner	Banking and Finance Law, Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships), Real Estate Law, Securitization and Structured Finance Law
Paul S. Weidlich	Patent Law
Gregory “Greg” D. Willett	Trusts and Estates
Jay A. Young	Banking and Finance Law, Project Finance Law

“We are proud of the client service and integrity our attorneys show our clients every day,” said President and Managing Shareholder Mark Cunningham. “It is especially exciting to see several new individuals recognized in this year’s edition of 2022 *Best Lawyers* and *Ones to Watch*. At Chambliss, we strive to provide high quality solutions and continue to actively pursue ways to expand and enhance our fierce client loyalty.”

Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch attorneys are noteworthy attorneys who have been in private practice for less than 10 years in the U.S. These attorneys are typically individuals who have been in practice between five to nine years and have displayed outstanding professional excellence. This recognition is based on peer review, as well.

Best Lawyers selected 12 Chambliss attorneys for the second edition of [Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch](#):

Attorney Name	Practice Area
Stephen D. Adams	Intellectual Property Law, Patent Law
Kelly B. Etchells	Commercial Litigation, Product Liability Litigation – Defendants
Willa B. Kalaidjian	Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships), Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Venture Capital Law
Courtney J. Keehan	Health Care Law
Nathan “Nate” L. Kinard	Appellate Practice, Commercial Litigation
Calvin “Cal” B. Marshall	Corporate Governance and Compliance Law, Corporate Law, Health Care Law
Martha Culp Millener	Real Estate Law
Leah R. Mitchell	Elder Law
Jed Roebuck	Corporate Governance and Compliance Law, Corporate Law, Health Care Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law
McKeehanon C. Rue	Corporate Law, Real Estate Law
Logan C. Threadgill	Commercial Litigation, Construction Law, Litigation – Bankruptcy, Litigation – Construction
Kirby Waddell Yost	Land Use and Zoning Law, Real Estate Law, Transportation Law

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Since it was first published in 1983, *Best Lawyers*® has become universally regarded as the definitive guide to legal excellence. *Best Lawyers* lists are compiled based on an exhaustive peer-review evaluation. More than 113,000 industry leading lawyers are eligible to vote (from around the world), and we have received more than 15 million evaluations on the legal abilities of other lawyers based on their specific practice areas around the world. For the 2022 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*®, more than 10.8 million votes were analyzed, which resulted in more than 66,000 leading lawyers being included in the new edition. Lawyers are not required or allowed to pay a fee to be listed; therefore, inclusion in *Best Lawyers* is considered a singular honor.

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