

# 12 Nixon Peabody attorneys named “Lawyer of the Year” by *The Best Lawyers in America*®

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**Boston, MA.** Nixon Peabody LLP is pleased to announce that 12 of the firm's attorneys have been named “Lawyer of the Year” for 2026 by *The Best Lawyers in America*®. In addition, 82 Nixon Peabody attorneys have been named “Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch,” which recognizes attorneys who have been in private practice for five to nine years.

These annual honors are based entirely on peer reviews for excellence in the legal industry.

Overall, *The Best Lawyers in America*® recognized a total of 285 Nixon Peabody attorneys as 2026 “Best Lawyers,” representing 75 unique practice areas across 13 US cities. See the link at the end of this press release to view a complete list of Nixon Peabody attorneys included in the new edition.

## Nixon Peabody 2026 “Lawyers of the Year” honorees

### ALBANY

- Vincent E. Polsinelli—Litigation—Labor and Employment

### CHICAGO

- Janet M. Garetto—Trademark Law
- Julie K. Seymour—Public Finance Law

### MELVILLE



- **Michele A. Masucci**—Healthcare Law

## **LOS ANGELES**

- **Thaddeus J. Stauber**—Art Law

## **NEW YORK CITY**

- **Ernest W. Chung**—Energy Law

## **PROVIDENCE**

- **Armando E. Batastini**—Litigation—Real Estate
- **Stacie B. Collier**—Employment Law—Management

## **ROCHESTER**

- **Katherine C. Baynes**—Economic Development Law
- **J. Brian Kopp**—Litigation—Labor and Employment
- **Tracey B. Scarpello**—Product Liability Litigation—Defendants
- **Todd R. Shinaman**—Employment Law—Management

## **82 Nixon Peabody attorneys across 33 practices named 2026 “Ones to Watch”**

## **ALBANY**

- **Eric J. Brenner**—Municipal Law, Project Finance Law, Public Finance Law

## **BOSTON**

- **Nuryllen D. Aguasvivas**—Real Estate Law
- **Matthew W. Costello**—Commercial Litigation
- **Alexandra P. Crean**—Trusts and Estates
- **Carolyn Glynn**—Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- **Paul DeTurk**—Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- **Kaitlyn B. Greene**—Trusts and Estates
- **Natalia Gutierrez**—Banking and Finance Law

- **Nicole V. Hixon**—Real Estate Law
- **Emily J. Holt**—Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- **Jarrad Kirsh**—Criminal Defense: White-Collar
- **Andrew Maglione**—Healthcare Law
- **Robert G. Pethick**—Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- **Brianna N. Portu**—Criminal Defense: White-Collar
- **Ali J. Sisson**—Real Estate Law
- **Pamela R. Swanson**—Real Estate Law

## CHICAGO

- **Brandon Caywood**—Public Finance Law, Tax Law
- **Ethan Domsten**—Healthcare Law
- **Dan Georgiev**—Litigation—Intellectual Property, Patent Law
- **Kate Michalski**— Real Estate Law
- **Tammy P. Nguyen**—Commercial Litigation
- **Jacalyn Smith**—Corporate Law, Healthcare Law
- **Spenser T. Sotolongo**—Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Real Estate Law

## LOS ANGELES

- **Jonathan Assia**—Commercial Litigation
- **Garth Bostic**—Land Use and Zoning Law, Real Estate Law
- **Alexandra Busto**—Healthcare Law
- **Vince Capati**—Intellectual Property Law
- **Alejandro Castro**—Litigation—Labor and Employment
- **Stratton P. Constantinides**—Construction Law, Environmental Law
- **April Hua**—Entertainment and Sports Law

- **Alice Kwak**—Labor and Employment Law—Management, Litigation—Labor and Employment
- **Gabriel A. Mendoza**—Litigation—Labor and Employment
- **Zachary C. Osinski**—Commercial Litigation
- **Brock J. Seraphin**—Appellate Practice, Commercial Litigation
- **David J. Song**—Public Finance Law

## MANCHESTER

- **Talia Burghard**—Real Estate Law
- **Briana Matuszko**—Litigation—Labor and Employment, Municipal Law
- **Dave Zimmermann**—Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law

## MELVILLE

- **Matthew Forzano**—Commercial Litigation, Healthcare Law
- **Jennifer Greco**—Healthcare Law

## NEW YORK CITY

- **Stephanie C. H. Ardino**—Trusts and Estates
- **Samantha R. Barbere**—Corporate Law
- **Matthew Bobrow**—Corporate Law
- **Vincent Cesare**—Banking and Finance Law, Securities/Capital Markets Law
- **Paul Dewey**—Public Finance Law
- **Alexandra Hohauser**—Real Estate Law
- **Nicoleas Mayne**—Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships), Corporate Governance and Compliance Law, Corporate Law, Entertainment and Sports Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- **Vincent Nguyen**—Commercial Litigation
- **Avery Ryou**—Real Estate Law
- **Shazia Singh**—Corporate Law, Leveraged Buyouts and Private Equity Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law

- **Katharine A. Stack**—Public Finance Law
- **Natan Szegedi**—Real Estate Law
- **Patrick Toolan**—Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law

## ROCHESTER

- **Samantha Beresford**—Trusts and Estates
- **Michael Gionta**—Corporate Law, Healthcare Law
- **Ninteretse Jean Pierre**—Real Estate Law
- **Alexandra Moore**—Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- **Emily M. Morrison**—Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law
- **Kaleigh P. Morrison**—Intellectual Property Law
- **Sarah L. Tufano**—Commercial Litigation

## SAN FRANCISCO

- **Morgan Cahill-Marsland**—Litigation—Real Estate
- **Taylor Hooks**—Commercial Litigation, Litigation—Construction
- **Laura L. Campbell**—Litigation—Real Estate
- **Corey T. Leggett**—Litigation—Patent, Patent Law
- **Conor McNamara**—Commercial Litigation, Litigation—Construction
- **Janelle M. Walker**—Public Finance Law

## WASHINGTON, DC

- **Babatomiwa (Tomi) Akinyemi**—Corporate Law, Real Estate Law, Trusts and Estates
- **Claire Alexander**—Real Estate Law
- **Myra Benjamin**—Commercial Litigation
- **Brendan Cardella-Koll**—Real Estate Law
- **Elizabeth M. Chiaviello**—Commercial Litigation, Intellectual Property Law
- **Ryan Cosmopoulos**—Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law

- **Kevin Fink**—Energy Law, Real Estate Law
- **Benjamin R. Holt**—Litigation—Patent
- **David M. Hornstein**—Real Estate Law
- **Catherine Ingram Hunstad**—Criminal Defense: White-Collar, Immigration Law
- **Brian Kenney**—Real Estate Law, Tax Law
- **Noah M. Lebowitz**—Corporate Law, Municipal Law, Project Finance Law, Public Finance Law
- **Robert J. McManigal**—Criminal Defense: White-Collar
- **Ilya Mirov**—Litigation—Patent, Patent Law
- **Brianna Thompson**—Immigration Law
- **Annie Zhang**—Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law