



News

Many of our engagements involve matters in which our clients face significant public attention. The following is a list of news stories about the firm, our clients, cases and the results we have achieved.

Twenty Kobre & Kim Lawyers Recognized in The Best Lawyers in America® and Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America 2026

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The 2026 editions of *The Best Lawyers in America®* and *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America* have recognized twenty Kobre & Kim lawyers for their work in areas from criminal defense and corporate law to litigation and bankruptcy.

The Best Lawyers in America® ranks legal professionals who have “demonstrated unparalleled expertise and dedication in their fields.” The following lawyers are recognized:

Adam Lavine, “Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law”

Adriana Riviere-Badell, “Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law”

Matthew Menchel, “Criminal Defense: White-Collar” and “Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions - Plaintiffs”

The Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America highlights “the finest legal talent who have been in practice between five and ten years.” Nominated by peers, honorees are among “the brightest and most promising among the ever-growing roster of legal talent.” They include:

Alexandria Gutiérrez Swette, “Commercial Litigation,” “Criminal Defense: White-Collar,” “Government Relations Practice” and “Health Care Law”

Brandon Bias, “Commercial Litigation”

Donna Xu, “Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law” and “Commercial Litigation”

Erika Berman, “Commercial Litigation”

Geoffrey Derrick, “Commercial Litigation”

George Stamatopoulos, “Litigation - Intellectual Property”

Jacob Kirkham, “Corporate Law”

Lydia Halpern, “Alternative Dispute Resolution” and “Commercial Litigation”

Martine B. Forneret, “Commercial Litigation” and “Criminal Defense: White-Collar”

Michael Brasky, “Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law” and “Government Relations Practice”

Nicholas Ickovic, “Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law”

Paul Kanellopoulos, “Criminal Defense: White-Collar”

Rachel K. Warren, “Commercial Litigation”

Ryanne Perio, “Commercial Litigation”

Stephen Astringer, “Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law” and “Litigation: Bankruptcy”

Sydney Sgambato Johnson, “Criminal Defense: White-Collar”

Zachary Ritz, “Commercial Litigation” and “Criminal Defense: White-Collar”

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