



BENCHMARK
LITIGATION

US AWARDS 2025 SHORTLIST

Thursday, March 6

583 Park Avenue
New York

STATE AWARDS

ALABAMA

Barze Taylor Noles Lowther
Bradley
Lightfoot Franklin & White
Maynard Nexsen
Starnes Davis Florie

ALASKA

Asburn & Mason
Schwabe Williamson & Wyatt
Stoel Rives

ARIZONA

Lewis Roca
Osborn Maledon
Papetti Samuels Weiss McKirgan
Polsinelli

ARKANSAS

Friday Eldredge & Clark
Quattlebaum Grooms & Tull
Wright Lindsey Jennings

CALIFORNIA

Bird Marella Rhow Lincenberg Drooks
& Nessim
Hueston Hennigan
Latham & Watkins
Willenken

COLORADO

Bartlit Beck
Davis Graham
Holland & Hart
Wheeler Trigg O'Donnell

CONNECTICUT

Carmody Torrance Sandak & Hennessey
Robinson & Cole
Wiggin and Dana

DELAWARE

Abrams & Bayliss
Bernstein Litowitz Berger & Grossmann
Morris Nichols Arsht & Tunnell
Richards Layton & Finger
Ross Aronstam & Moritz

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Covington & Burling
Gibson Dunn & Crutcher
Kirkland & Ellis
Sidley Austin
Wilkinson Stekloff
Williams & Connolly

FLORIDA

Akerman
Bilzin Sumberg Baena Price & Axelrod
Greenberg Traurig
Greenspoon Marder
Hunton Andrews Kurth

GEORGIA

Greenberg Traurig
King & Spalding
Smith Gambrell & Russell
Troutman Pepper

HAWAII

Cades Schutte
Carlsmith Ball
Cox Fricke
Goodsill Anderson Quinn & Stifel
Starn O'Toole Marcus & Fisher

IDAHO

Gjording Fouser
Holland & Hart
Stoel Rives

STATE AWARDS

ILLINOIS

Barack Ferrazzano Kirschbaum &
Nagelberg
Bartlit Beck
Goldman Ismail Tomaselli Brennan &
Baum
Kirkland & Ellis
Riley Safer Holmes & Cancila

INDIANA

Barnes & Thornburg
Faegre Drinker Biddle & Reath
Taft Law

IOWA

Ahlers & Cooney
Dorsey & Whitney
Nyemaster Goode

KANSAS

Foulston Siefkin
Rouse Frets White Goss Gentile Rhodes
Stinson

KENTUCKY

Dentons
Frost Brown Todd
Stites & Harbison
Stoll Keenon Ogden
Wyatt Tarrant & Combs

LOUISIANA

Barrasso Usdin Kupperman Freeman &
Sarver
Fishman Haygood
Jones Walker
Phelps Dunbar
Pipes Miles Beckman

MAINE

Berman & Simmons
Preti Flaherty Beliveau & Pachios
Verrill Dana

MARYLAND

DLA Piper
Kramon & Graham
Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough
Saul Ewing

MASSACHUSETTS

Choate Hall & Stewart
Goodwin
Nixon Peabody
Saul Ewing
WilmerHale

MICHIGAN

Bodman
Bush Seyferth
Dickinson Wright
Smith Haughey Rice & Roegge

MINNESOTA

Bowman and Brooke
Norton Rose Fulbright
Robins Kaplan
Stinson
Winthrop & Weinstine

MISSISSIPPI

Bradley
Brunini Grantham Grower & Hewes
Butler Snow
Watkins & Eager

MISSOURI

Armstrong Teasdale
Husch Blackwell
Polsinelli
Stinson
UB Greensfelder

MONTANA

Boone Karlberg
Crowley Fleck
Goetz Baldwin & Geddes

NEBRASKA

Baird Holm
Husch Blackwell
Kutak Rock

STATE AWARDS

NEVADA

Bailey Kennedy
Campbell & Williams
Lewis Roca

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Downs Rachlin Martin
Jackson Lewis
McLane Middleton
Nixon Peabody
Sheehan Phinney Bass & Green

NEW JERSEY

Gibbons
Greenberg Traurig
Sills Cummis & Gross
Tanenbaum Keale

NEW MEXICO

Modrall Sperling
Rodey Law

NEW YORK

Cravath Swaine & Moore
Holwell Shuster & Goldberg
Patterson Belknap Webb & Tyler
Wachtell Lipton Rosen & Katz

NORTH CAROLINA

Brooks Pierce
Ellis & Winters
Williams Mullen
Robinson Bradshaw & Hinson
Smith Anderson

NORTH DAKOTA

Crowley Fleck
Maring Williams Law Office
Redstone Law Firm
Vogel Law Firm

OHIO

Calfee Halter & Grisold
Faruki
Taft Law
Thompson Hine
UB Greensfelder
Zeiger Tigges & Little

OKLAHOMA

Crowe & Dunlevy
GableGotwals
Hall Estill
McAfee & Taft

OREGON

Davis Wright Tremaine
Miller Nash
Perkins Coie
Stoel Rives
Stoll Berne

PENNSYLVANIA

Ballard Spahr
Dechert
Hangley Aronchick Segal Pudlin & Schiller
Morgan Lewis & Bockius
Reed Smith
Saul Ewing

RHODE ISLAND

Adler Pollock & Sheehan
Nixon Peabody
Partridge Snow & Hahn

SOUTH CAROLINA

Gallivan White & Boyd
Maynard Nexsen
Motley Rice
Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough
Turner Padget Graham & Laney

SOUTH DAKOTA

Davenport Evans Hurwitz & Smith
Heidepriem Purtell Siegel
Johnson Janklow & Abdallah

TENNESSEE

Bass Berry & Sims
Bradley
Butler Snow

STATE AWARDS

TEXAS

Gibbs & Bruns
Gibson Dunn & Crutcher
Norton Rose Fulbright
Reynolds Frizzell
Susman Godfrey
Tillotson Law

UTAH

Fabian VanCott
Holland & Hart
Magleby Cataxinos & Greenwood
Parr Brown Gee & Loveless
Parsons Behle & Latimer

VERMONT

Gravel & Shea
Paul Frank + Collins
Sheehey Furlong & Behm

VIRGINIA

Hunton Andrews Kurth
McGuireWoods
Williams Mullen
Troutman Pepper

WASHINGTON

Corr Cronin
Lane Powell
Perkins Coie
Summit Law Group

WEST VIRGINIA

Bailey & Glasser
Bowles Rice
Dinsmore & Shohl
Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough
Jackson Kelly

WISCONSIN

Gass Turek
Godfrey & Kahn
Husch Blackwell
Reinhart Boerner Van Deuren

WYOMING

Davis & Cannon
Hirst Applegate
Holland & Hart

PRACTICE AREA AWARDS

ANTITRUST FIRM OF THE YEAR

Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton
Cravath Swaine & Moore
Latham & Watkins
Williams & Connolly
Proskauer

ANTITRUST LITIGATOR OF THE YEAR

David Marriott, Cravath Swaine &
Moore
Michael Shuster, Holwell Shuster &
Goldberg
Christopher Ondeck, Proskauer
Sara Razi, Simpson Thacher & Bartlett
Joseph Saveri, Saveri Law Firm

APPELLATE FIRM OF THE YEAR

Gibson Dunn & Crutcher
Paul Weiss Rifkind Wharton & Garrison
Williams & Connolly
WilmerHale
Weil Gotshal & Manges

APPELLATE LITIGATOR OF THE YEAR

Lisa Blatt, Williams & Connolly
Thomas Hungar, Gibson Dunn &
Crutcher
Jeffrey Lamken, MoloLamken
Mark Perry, Weil Gotshal & Manges
Kannon Shanmugam, Paul Weiss
Rifkind Wharton & Garrison
Seth Waxman, WilmerHale

BANKRUPTCY FIRM OF THE YEAR

Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld
Brown Rudnick
Kirkland & Ellis
Reid Collins & Tsai
Weil Gotshal & Manges
Sullivan & Cromwell

BANKRUPTCY LITIGATOR OF THE YEAR

Andrew Leblanc, Milbank
Elliot Moskowitz, Davis Polk &
Wardwell
Eric Madden, Reid Collins & Tsai
Lisa Schweitzer, Cleary Gottlieb Steen
& Hamilton
Mike Slade, Kirkland & Ellis
David Zensky, Akin Gump Strauss
Hauer & Feld

BOUTIQUE FIRM OF THE YEAR

Elsberg Baker & Maruri
Hecker Fink
Holwell Shuster & Goldberg
Hueston Hennigan
MoloLamken
Wilkinson Stekloff
Willenken

ENTERTAINMENT FIRM OF THE YEAR

Bird Marella Rhow Lincenberg Dooks
& Nessim
Greenberg Traurig
Kendall Brill & Kelly
Kinsella Weitzman Iser Kump & Aldisert
Loeb & Loeb
Proskauer

ENTERTAINMENT LITIGATOR OF THE YEAR

Scott Edelman, Gibson Dunn &
Crutcher
Ekwon Rhow, Bird Marella Rhow
Lincenberg Dooks & Nessim
John Berlinski, Bird Marella Rhow
Lincenberg Dooks & Nessim
Matthew Rosengart, Greenberg
Traurig
Alex Weingarten, Willkie Farr &
Gallagher

ENVIRONMENTAL FIRM OF THE YEAR

Arnold & Porter
Bartlit Beck
Hunton Andrews Kurth
Sidley Austin

PRACTICE AREA AWARDS

ENVIRONMENTAL LITIGATOR OF THE YEAR

Erica Harris, Susman Godfrey

Andrea Neuman, Gibson Dunn &
Crutcher

Anna Rotman, Kirkland & Ellis

Michael Shebelskie, Hunton Andrews
Kurth

INSURANCE FIRM OF THE YEAR

Anderson Kill

Blank Rome

Cohen Ziffer Frenchman & McKenna

Covington & Burling

Reed Smith

Simpson Thacher & Bartlett

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LITIGATOR OF THE YEAR

John Desmarais, Desmarais

Christopher Larus, Robins Kaplan

Joseph Mueller, WilmerHale

Elizabeth Weiswasser, Paul Weiss
Rifkind Wharton & Garrison

Matthew Wolf, Arnold & Porter

GENERAL COMMERCIAL FIRM OF THE YEAR

Cravath Swaine & Moore

Gibson Dunn & Crutcher

Holwell Shuster & Goldberg

Hueston Hennigan

Susman Godfrey

Williams & Connolly

INSURANCE LITIGATOR OF THE YEAR

Robin Cohen, Cohen Ziffer Frenchman
& McKenna

Andrew Frankel, Simpson Thacher &
Bartlett

Robert Horkovich, Anderson Kill

Eileen McCabe, Mendes and Mount

Omid Safa, Blank Rome

INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION FIRM OF THE YEAR

Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton

Debevoise & Plimpton

Freshfields

King & Spalding

White & Case

GENERAL COMMERCIAL LITIGATOR OF THE YEAR

Mike Carlinsky, Quinn Emanuel

Urquhart & Sullivan

John Hueston, Hueston Hennigan

Hallie Levin, WilmerHale

Kevin Orsini, Cravath Swaine & Moore

Michael Shuster, Holwell Shuster &
Goldberg

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY FIRM OF THE YEAR

Desmarais

Groombridge Wu Baughman & Stone

Latham & Watkins

WilmerHale

Paul Weiss Rifkind Wharton & Garrison

INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION LITIGATOR OF THE YEAR

Julie Bédard, Skadden Arps Meagher
Slate & Flom

Ina Popova, Debevoise & Plimpton

Carolyn Lamm, White & Case

Ari MacKinnon, Cleary Gottlieb Steen
& Hamilton

Greg Williams, Sidley Austin

PRACTICE AREA AWARDS

LABOR & EMPLOYMENT FIRM OF THE YEAR

Gibson Dunn & Crutcher
Harris St. Laurent & Wechsler
Lieff Cabraser Heimann & Bernstein
Proskauer
Sanford Heisler Sharp

LABOR & EMPLOYMENT LITIGATOR OF THE YEAR

Neil Abramson, Proskauer
Kelly Dermody, Lieff Cabraser Heimann
& Bernstein
Theane Evangelis, Gibson Dunn &
Crutcher
Shannon Liss-Riordan, Lichten & Liss
Riordan
Russell Kornblith, Sanford Heisler
Sharp

PLAINTIFF FIRM OF THE YEAR

Berman Tabacco
DiCello Levitt
Lieff Cabraser Heimann & Bernstein
Pomerantz
Reid Collins & Tsai
Robbins Geller Rudman & Dowd
Saveri Law

PLAINTIFF LITIGATOR OF THE YEAR

Jason Forge, Robbins Geller Rudman
& Dowd
Emma Gilmore, Pomerantz
Mark Lanier, The Lanier Law Firm
William Reid, Reid Collins & Tsai
Joseph Saveri, Saveri Law Firm
Carol Villegas, Labaton Sucharow

PRODUCT LIABILITY FIRM OF THE YEAR

Covington & Burling
Goldman Ismail Tomaselli Brennan &
Baum
Kirkland & Ellis
Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough
Skadden Arps Meagher Slate & Flom
Williams & Connolly

PRODUCT LIABILITY LITIGATOR OF THE YEAR

Allison Brown, Skadden Arps Meagher
Slate & Flom
Manuel Cachán, Skadden Arps
Meagher Slate & Flom
Phyllis Jones, Covington & Burling
Jennifer Saulino, Sidley Austin
Brian Stekloff, Wilkinson Stekloff
Bart Williams, Proskauer

SECURITIES FIRM OF THE YEAR

Cravath Swaine & Moore
Freshfields
Latham & Watkins
Paul Weiss Rifkind Wharton & Garrison
Simpson Thacher & Bartlett

SECURITIES LITIGATOR OF THE YEAR

Andrew Ceresney, Debevoise &
Plimpton
Jason Forge, Robbins Geller Rudman
& Dowd
Robert Giuffra, Sullivan & Cromwell
Adam Hakki, A&O Shearman
Michele Johnson, Latham & Watkins
Brad Karp, Paul Weiss Rifkind Wharton
& Garrison

TRIAL FIRM OF THE YEAR

Bartlit Beck
Cravath Swaine & Moore
Hueston Hennigan
Susman Godfrey
Wilkinson Stekloff
WilmerHale

PRACTICE AREA AWARDS

TRIAL LAWYER OF THE YEAR

Brian Glasser, Bailey & Glasser
John Hueston, Hueston Hennigan
David Marriott, Cravath Swaine &
Moore
Jennifer Saulino, Sidley Austin
Beth Wilkinson, Wilkinson Stekloff

WHITE COLLAR CRIME/ INVESTIGATIONS FIRM OF THE YEAR

Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton
Debevoise & Plimpton
Morvillo Abramowitz Grand Iason &
Anello
Paul Weiss Rifkind Wharton & Garrison
Williams & Connolly
Gibson Dunn & Crutcher

WHITE COLLAR CRIME/ INVESTIGATIONS LITIGATOR OF THE YEAR

Sean Berkowitz, Latham & Watkins
Barry Berke, Gibson Dunn & Crutcher
Sean Hecker, Hecker Fink
David Zinn, Williams & Connolly
Anjan Sahni, WilmerHale
Gary Lincenberg, Bird Marella Rhow
Lincenberg Dooks & Nessim

ALL NOMINEES ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

PLEASE CONTACT



REBECCA SYNNOTT
PUBLISHER

rebecca.synnott@benchmarklitigation.com
benchmarklitigation.com | #BenchmarkLitigation