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California: Banking & Finance				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
4 (NEW)	--	4	Gary Rosenbaum (3) Jean LeBlanc (4) (NEW)	Gary Rosenbaum (3)
Editorial				
<p>THE FIRM McDermott Will & Emery enters the rankings for the first time this year, in recognition of its significant practice in acquisition financing. It is particularly noted for its work in the healthcare and energy sectors.</p> <p>Sources say: "Excellent value for the quality of its work." "They know how to run with a matter, and they know what issues our company cares about - we don't have to babysit them."</p> <p>KEY INDIVIDUALS Gary Rosenbaum led the team in representing GE Capital in a \$100 million senior secured credit facility to Monrovia Nursery. Clients praise him as "very practical, with a good knowledge of the law and the ability to filter the important issues." Jean LeBlanc enters the rankings following client recognition for his financing work, which includes complex deals on behalf of multiple lenders.</p>				

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California: Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation

Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
--	--	3	Chris Scheithauer (U)	Chris Scheithauer (U)

Editorial

Chris Scheithauer of McDermott Will & Emery LLP is an ERISA litigator who represents clients such as Northrop Grumman in complex ERISA class actions

California: Healthcare

Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
1	1	4	Douglas Mancino (1) Eric Gordon (1) (UP) Ira Rappeport (3) Gary Gertler (4) Russell Hayman (4) Paul Lawrence (4) (NEW) Esther Chang (U) (NEW)	Douglas Mancino (1) Timothy Blanchard (2) Eric Gordon (2) Ira Rappeport (3) Gary Gertler (4) Russell Hayman (4)

Editorial

THE FIRM This premier firm has a considerable depth of talent in the healthcare arena, receiving praise for the breadth of its knowledge, high-caliber work and practical advice. The practice is centered on Los Angeles with support from Orange County, San Diego and Silicon

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Valley. It is particularly active representing larger clients from the health and hospital sectors in transactional matters, and is highly regarded for its experience and expertise in a broad range of issues including regulatory, commercial litigation, compliance, and white-collar defense work.

Sources Say: "Sophisticated and savvy lawyers who keep their eyes on the prize."

KEY INDIVIDUALS Douglas Mancino is renowned as "a guru in the tax-exempt area," and is considered by clients to be "the number one resource for tax matters." Eric Gordon is lauded as one of the best health lawyers around; he is one of the very few medically-qualified lawyers in the market and is particularly respected for his Stark and anti-kickback expertise. He recently represented the University of Southern California in the reorganization of its 18 separate faculty practice groups into a single multi-specialty group. Ira Rappeport splits his time between California and New York. His practice focuses on M&A and private equity work, and he has recently been busy representing two Fortune 500 companies, as well as Banc of America Securities in the \$1.2 billion debt offering for St Jude Medical. Los Angeles-based Gary Gertler focuses on advising investor-owned and nonprofit hospitals and hospital systems and large and small surgery center companies and developers. Russell Hayman is highly regarded for his expertise in white-collar litigation. He handles healthcare fraud and abuse issues as well as representing healthcare providers facing criminal and civil investigations. Paul Lawrence handles the transactional and regulatory aspects of M&A for healthcare clients. Esther Chang has a broad transactional and regulatory practice. She is noted for her expertise in California and federal privacy issues.

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California: Intellectual Property				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
3	3	4	Patent Terrence McMahon (1) Anthony de Alcuaz (4) Vera Elson (4) Yar Chaikovsky (4) (NEW)	Patent Terrence McMahon (1) Anthony de Alcuaz (4) Vera Elson (4)
Editorial <p>THE FIRM McDermott's IP, media and technology department adopts a multidisciplinary approach. Each attorney is experienced in a range of areas of IP law and the patent and trademark prosecution groups are fully integrated into the litigation practice. Each of the four offices in California houses industry-specific specialists whose expertise covers the media, biotech, pharma and technology fields.</p> <p>Sources Say: "The firm's worldwide presence and strong local ties set them apart."</p> <p>KEY INDIVIDUALS Terrence McMahon is prized as one of the leading IP litigators in the country. He heads the firm's global IP practice from Silicon Valley and concentrates on bet-the-company disputes in the patent, trade secret, trade dress, trademark and copyright arenas. He wins praise for his ability to "read the mood of the court and how to capitalize on it." McMahon and Anthony de Alcuaz have successfully represented client Aristocrat in a number of cases, recently succeeding in having the Supreme Court deny the accused infringer's petition for certiorari. According to sources, de Alcuaz "demonstrates control and judgment. He chooses his battles wisely." Vera Elson is considered to be particularly effective in patent infringement matters relating to the technology sector. Interviewees characterize her as an "astute and highly effective litigator." Patent litigator Yar Chaikovsky recently joined McDermott from Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal. He is highlighted for his intelligence, with interviewees praising the "fast processor" of his mind: "What comes out is insightful and productive."</p>				

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California: IT & IT Outsourcing				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
--	--	3	Adel Bebawy (3)	Adel Bebawy (3)
Editorial				
Other notable practitioner: Adel Bebawy of McDermott Will & Emery LLP is adept at ITO work and has also been working on application, development and maintenance issues, particularly regarding hosting				

California: Life Sciences				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
3 (NEW)	--	3	Corporate/Commercial James Hill (3)	Commercial James Hill (3)
Editorial				
THE FIRM McDermott's life sciences group enters the rankings this year due to praise for its capabilities not only in IP and patent prosecution issues, but in corporate, commercial and regulatory matters. The team has been involved in a number of significant cases recently, such as securing victory for Amgen in a patent infringement case against Roche and successfully challenging Santaris' patent claims for Isis Pharmaceuticals. The recent hire of Paul DeStefano boosts the firm's offering in the transactional area.				

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KEY INDIVIDUALS Orange County-based James Hill focuses his practice on patent prosecution and litigation, strategic counseling, IP due diligence and licensing for medical devices, biotech and pharmaceuticals.

California: Litigation (General Commercial)

Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
4	4	4	Robert Mallory (5)	Robert Mallory (5)

Editorial

THE FIRM McDermott's California litigation group largely operates out of Silicon Valley and has great strength in IP and antitrust disputes. The team has extensive experience of acting for healthcare sector clients and recently represented DaVita, one of the largest providers of dialysis services in the USA, in a multidistrict class action. The team also successfully defended IDEXX, a global developer of veterinary products, in a three-year antitrust case brought by Cynterga.

Sources say: "An impressive group of highly-skilled litigators."

KEY INDIVIDUALS Los Angeles-based Robert Mallory is a seasoned expert in antitrust, professional liability, securities and insurance litigation.

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California: Litigation (White-Collar Crime & Government Investigations)

Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
3	3	3	Gordon Greenberg (1) Russell Hayman (2)	Gordon Greenberg (1) Russell Hayman (2)

Editorial

THE FIRM This group has the strong support of the firm's Chicago and Boston teams and is backed by the firm's international network of resources. Reflecting the firm's global capabilities, the California-based white-collar group has been representing two partners of PricewaterhouseCoopers, who are liquidators of the Antiguan bank Eurofed, in a case against the DOJ concerning the bank's assets. The team has also been representing Henry Samuelli, the former chairman of the board of Broadcom, in a high-profile backdating case and related SEC investigation.

Sources Say: "We are constantly impressed by the quality of work." "A strong team of strategic thinkers."

KEY INDIVIDUALS Leading the firm's representation of Henry Samuelli was Gordon Greenberg. A superb trial lawyer, he is a leading authority on financial fraud, money laundering and FCPA matters. He is described by one source as "the best in town." Russell Hayman has a strong niche in healthcare litigation and white-collar cases. Recent work includes acting as co-counsel for a major pharmaceutical company under federal and state investigation for off-label promotion of a biologic. Clients appreciate his ability to "quickly get up to speed with new and complex subject matters."

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California: Tax				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
3	3	3	Tax Frederick Chilton (2) Estate Planning Jonathan Lurie (1)	Tax Frederick Chilton (2) Estate Planning Jonathan Lurie (1)
Editorial				
<p>THE FIRM The firm offers expertise in international tax planning, tax controversy, state and local tax, outbound investment and transfer pricing, and has a subspecialty in intangible property cost sharing. Reflecting its Northern California location, many of its clients originate in the technology sector. These include Cisco Systems, Yahoo!, Adobe and Gilead Sciences. Recent work includes representing Cisco Systems in a proposed assessment of additional income tax by the Commonwealth of Virginia.</p> <p>Sources say: "Deservedly well respected in the Silicon Valley market - it does very impressive work."</p> <p>KEY INDIVIDUALS Frederick Chilton is known for his high-level planning and controversy work, and often assists clients with structuring their international operations. He is described as "an impressive and experienced practitioner." Los Angeles-based Jonathan Lurie is rated for his estate planning and high income tax work. "He would be on the shortlist for any major assignment in the field and his group is quite outstanding," say sources.</p>				

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District of Columbia: Antitrust				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
4	4	4	Raymond Jacobsen (3) Joseph Winterscheid (4) Craig Seebald (5)	Joseph Winterscheid (3) Raymond Jacobsen (3) Craig Seebald (5)
Editorial				
<p>THE FIRM This practice handles the full range of antitrust work, advising on merger clearance, and acting on civil litigation and cartel cases. It is particularly sought out by clients in the hi-tech and healthcare sectors; recently, it has secured clearance for Böwe Bell + Howell in connection with the sale of its scanner business to Kodak.</p> <p>Sources say: “The team has invested resources in understanding our business, and I always get an accurate and commercial answer up front.”</p> <p>KEY INDIVIDUALS Raymond Jacobsen is noted for his skill in M&A and joint venture transactions and praised for his “strong relationship with the FTC, which means that important decisions can be made quickly.” He also litigates civil suits, and recently successfully resolved a dispute between Silicon Image and Analogix Semiconductor involving allegations of anticompetitive conduct relating to high-definition multimedia interface (HDMI) semiconductors. Joseph Winterscheid heads the team, and works on many cases with an international element. His highlights include advising Timken on the \$330 million sale of its needle bearing business to a Japan-based company, a transaction that required clearance in the USA, Germany, South Korea, Turkey and Slovakia. Craig Seebald has “a substantively strong knowledge of the law and a practical head on his shoulders;” in particular, he is praised for his cartel defense work. He assisted Hitachi and Renesas Technology with a two-year-long grand jury investigation into flash memory, which closed last year without any charges being brought.</p>				

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District of Columbia: Corporate/M&A & Private Equity

Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
3	3	4	Karen Dewis (3) (UP)	Karen Dewis (4)

Editorial

THE FIRM Financial services, healthcare and energy are key areas of activity for this group. Its client roster includes investment banks and trading houses, which the team assists with investments in such areas as commodities trading, and Fortune 500 publicly traded companies, where work is typically centered on the midmarket. The group also has particular expertise in representing private equity portfolio companies in going-public matters. Recent highlights include acting for Barclays Capital on its acquisition of the US power and gas and international base metals and crude oil trading businesses of UBS, and advising Credit Suisse Energy on the sale of its US western power and natural gas trading business.

Sources Say: "Their full-service capacity means they can cover all aspects of a transaction. They provide seamless client service."

KEY INDIVIDUALS Karen Dewis provides "an excellent level of client care and has good project planning and execution skills, which makes her very effective in complex or interesting situations," say interviewees. Specializing in financial services M&A, she is particularly active on behalf of financial institutions' energy trading groups.

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District of Columbia: Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
4	3	4	--	Paul Hamburger (1)
Editorial				
<p>THE FIRM The heart of this firm's practice lies in Chicago and the departure of four partners, including star performer Paul Hamburger, has reduced its presence in Washington, DC. However, the office is still home to a group of 12 benefits and compensation attorneys who are well-placed to draw on the firm's wider resources. The team advises on a range of matters including retirement plans, welfare benefits and ESOPs. It also represents clients in controversy-related matters and litigation.</p>				
<p>KEY INDIVIDUALS David Rogers is head of the practice.</p>				

District of Columbia: Healthcare				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
1	1	3	Joel Michaels (1) Eric Zimmerman (2) Guy Collier (3) Reed Stephens (3)	Joel Michaels (1) Eric Zimmerman (2) Guy Collier (3) Reed Stephens (3)
Editorial				
<p>THE FIRM McDermott Will & Emery is recognized as a giant in the healthcare field. It is praised for its old-line expertise in the area and the</p>				

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top quality of its lawyers. The group has a broad client base, which covers health systems, health insurers, pharmaceutical and medical device manufacturers and clinical laboratories. However, it is best known for its work on behalf of hospitals, particularly in the nonprofit sector, and excels in advising on Medicare coverage and reimbursement.

Sources Say: "The real competition for big-ticket work is McDermott." "This is the go-to firm in DC for providers and the team is equally skilled in regulatory and transactional matters."

KEY INDIVIDUALS Joel Michaels spearheads the Washington, DC practice and commands a great deal of respect in the market. He has a tremendous client following, comprising mainly payors and insurers. He counsels on a broad range of regulatory matters including anti-kickback law and the False Claims Act. Eric Zimmerman is a leading Medicare expert. He recently successfully represented a group of Massachusetts hospitals in a challenge to a CMS rule setting hospital payments rates. Guy Collier is the team's transactional star and is highly rated as "an excellent attorney and real gentleman." His recent work highlights include representing Inova Health System in regards to the \$1.1 billion replacement of its flagship hospital's infrastructure. Reed Stephens litigates a range of healthcare matters and is highly sought after for his expertise in drug pricing.

District of Columbia: Insurance (Insurer Firms)

Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
2	2	3	Margaret Warner (2)	Margaret Warner (2)

Editorial

THE FIRM In terms of size this practice of ten partners and ten associates may lack the scale of some of its competitors, but it certainly has the quality to match. The team handles a range of complex matters, including advising big clients such as NBA and NHL on disability insurance programs. It has also dealt with insurance matters arising from 9/11 on behalf of the World Trade Center Insurance Company and WTC Captive and is advising CNA on coverage issues arising from its insureds' exposure as debtors in asbestos bankruptcies.

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Sources Say: "Consistently effective and successful representation."

KEY INDIVIDUALS Margaret Warner leads the practice and is at the forefront of the team's most important insurance litigation matters, including overseeing the defense of nearly 11,000 claims against WTC insureds arising out of the 9/11 rescue effort. She has a reputation for being a "hard-nosed, no-nonsense and smart litigator."

District of Columbia: Intellectual Property

Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
2	2	4	Joel Freed (1) Raphael Lupo (1) Patent Prosecution Stephen Becker (2)	Joel Freed (1) Raphael Lupo (1) Stephen Becker (4)

Editorial

THE FIRM The firm's commitment to IP is nowhere more evident than in its Washington, DC office. The practice stands out thanks to its breadth and depth, with the team undertaking substantial prosecution and litigation work relating to patents, trademarks, copyright, trade secret and trade dress issues. The group is recognized as a powerhouse in the hi-tech patent litigation field, where it represents big name clients such as Dell, Autodesk and GE in district and federal court as well as before the ITC.

Sources Say: "Excels in major IP litigation because of the skill, experience and efficiency of its attorneys."

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KEY INDIVIDUALS Stephen Becker is "one of the best patent prosecution attorneys in the business." He works primarily with patents relating to electronic, telecom, business method and computer technologies. Joel Freed wins superlative feedback for his performance in big-ticket patent litigation cases. Commentators assert: "He's as fine a patent litigator as there is." Many of the cases that he tries in district and federal courts and before the ITC relate to computer and IT technology. Raphael Lupo is described by sources as "a gentleman and an immensely talented litigator," and is unquestionably one of the leading attorneys at the DC patent litigation Bar. His extensive trial experience also covers trademark, copyright and trade secrets litigation and he has appeared before the ITC.

District of Columbia: Litigation

Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
--	--	4	General Commercial Bobby Burchfield (3) White-Collar Crime & Government Investigations Abbe Lowell (3) (NEW)	Bobby Burchfield (3)

Editorial

Other notable practitioners: Bobby Burchfield leads the complex litigation group at McDermott Will & Emery LLP. He has been acting for Itochu Corp and Itochu International in a False Claims Act lawsuit, and CNH Global in class actions involving claims for approximately \$2 billion of retiree healthcare benefits. He is also highly experienced in political law matters, with recent clients including the Republican National Committee. Abbe Lowell of McDermott Will & Emery LLP is an aggressive advocate with a great track record of success. "An enormously talented strategist," he is head of the Washington, DC white-collar criminal defense practice group. Interviewees say: "He is always 110% prepared and nothing gets past him."

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District of Columbia: Tax				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
2	2	4	Stephen Wells (2) Philip McCarty (3) Blake Rubin (3) (UP) James Riedy (4)	Stephen Wells (2) Philip McCarty (3) James Riedy (4) Blake Rubin (4)
Editorial				
<p>THE FIRM This team has expanded in recent times and has expertise in tax planning, tax efficient structures, cross-border transactions and M&A. Highlights include advising IMS Health on the tax elements of its \$5.2 billion acquisition by a private equity company. Other clients include General Mills, Johnson & Johnson, MetLife, and Wal-Mart.</p> <p>Sources say: "Superior quality attorneys who are great value for money."</p> <p>KEY INDIVIDUALS Stephen Wells is regarded as an authority on reorganizations, and is praised for his "excellent communication and technical skills." He was one of the lead attorneys on the team's complex advisory work for IMS Health. Blake Rubin continues to consolidate his reputation for exceptional partnership tax expertise with work that includes representing Tribune Company in an \$845 million partnership transaction. He is also praised for his "great grasp of the technicalities of tax law." His practice covers REITs, planning and controversy matters. Philip McCarty regularly advises Fortune 500 companies on tax accounting, financial products and international joint ventures. James Riedy handles international tax issues for Fortune 500 clients. Sources praise the "strength of his practical advice."</p>				

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Florida: Corporate/M&A				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
4 (NEW)	--	4	Harris Siskind (2) Jacqueline Hodes (U) (NEW)	Harris Siskind (2)
Editorial				
<p>THE FIRM This team has established a solid corporate, M&A and private equity practice on the foundations of its excellence in the healthcare sector. Longstanding client HIG has instructed the firm on a number of deals, including the acquisitions of DynaSteel, SRX International and Nations Express. The team also assisted medical supplier NationsHealth with going private.</p> <p>Sources Say: "An insightful, responsive team with intellectual horsepower."</p> <p>KEY INDIVIDUALS Harris Siskind heads the Miami corporate group and undertakes M&A and private equity matters. He regularly works with partner Jacqueline Hodes on behalf of HIG and other key clients. Hodes impresses market sources with her insight, particularly into regulatory issues.</p>				

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Florida: Healthcare				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
1	1	4	Ira Coleman (1) Gary Scott Davis (1) Jerry Sokol (2) Jennifer Vecchio (2) (UP) Joshua Kaye (3) UP)	Ira Coleman (1) Gary Scott Davis (1) Jerry Sokol (2) Jennifer Vecchio (3) Joshua Kaye (U)
Editorial				
<p>THE FIRM This highly sophisticated practice maintains its preeminent position in Florida and continues to be a formidable player on the national and international scene. Always at the forefront of cutting-edge healthcare issues, the talented lawyers are well positioned to advise on regulatory and business transaction matters. In addition to its recognized prowess in corporate work, the group also comprises skilled litigators handling highly contentious healthcare concerns. Its impressive national clientele includes prominent organizations in every sector of the healthcare industry. Major clients include Central Florida Health Alliance, WellCare Health Plans and Health Diagnostics.</p> <p>Sources Say: "The team draws on its superb national resources to provide quick, seamless service - you won't find an issue there isn't an expert to help you with!" "These creative and insightful lawyers know healthcare inside and out."</p> <p>KEY INDIVIDUALS Department head Ira Coleman "can think outside the box to create interesting business possibilities," according to impressed clients. Regarded as "the rainmaker" of the group, he has a deep and successful transactional practice. Gary Scott Davis is known on a national basis for his managed care expertise. His wider transactional work includes advising on strategic restructurings and reorganizations, joint ventures and emerging health benefit plans. He is recommended as "a smart and diligent lawyer." Peers agree: "You'll never hear a bad word said about him!" Jerry Sokol is especially renowned for his strength in the ambulatory surgical area, with his impressive niche experience making him "a magnificent business generator." Recent work includes acting as lead sell-side counsel in a</p>				

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substantial multisite ambulatory surgical center M&A transaction. Clients appreciate his "creative approach and invaluable advice" and describe his industry connections as "second to none." He also chairs the firm's international healthcare transaction group. Jennifer Vecchio is tremendously important to the success of the team, and is considered "Ira's right-hand person." Clients appreciate her focus on detail, noting that this approach "prevents small things turning into bigger problems." A superb transactional lawyer with a broad-based practice, her clients include hospitals, health systems, ambulatory surgery centers and ancillary service providers. Joshua Kaye impresses interviewees with his work ethic: "He seems to work around the clock!" He has a broad-based practice, with a developing niche in medical imaging and diagnostics. In 2008 he acted for Health Diagnostics on its \$43 million acquisition of Midtown Imaging. Clients agree: "He knows exactly when to push and when not to."

Florida: Litigation (General Commercial)

Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
4 (NEW)	--	4	Bruce Berman (4) Raquel Rodriguez (4) Steve Siff (4) (NEW)	Bruce Berman (4) Raquel Rodriguez (4)

Editorial

THE FIRM The Miami office of this international firm comprises seasoned litigators with strong trial experience. The group services a wide array of clients, including Humana, Univision Communications and the Republican Party of Florida.

Sources Say: "The lawyers cut through the details to provide clear, concise and commercial advice."

KEY INDIVIDUALS Highly respected litigator Bruce Berman focuses on securities, products liability, IP, health law, real estate and commercial lending matters. He has been defending Swiss aircraft manufacturer Pilatus Aircraft in a major products liability and negligence suit arising out of the March 2005 crash of a Pilatus aircraft in Pennsylvania. Rocky Rodriguez continues to impress sources with her

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litigation capabilities. Clients prize her government background and insight into how regulatory agencies operate. Her practice covers real estate, constitutional and election litigation as well as international disputes. A new entrant to the rankings, Steven Siff is praised for his commercial viewpoint. Clients highlight his strong strategic sense: "His eye is always on the end game; he never gets lost in the minutiae." He is especially strong in class action litigation.

Florida: Tax

Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
--	--	4	Philip Tingle (4)	Philip Tingle (4)

Editorial

Other notable practitioner: Philip Tingle of McDermott Will & Emery LLP has carved a niche in the energy market, advising on tax-related renewable energy, M&A, workouts and restructuring issues. He represents Morgan Stanley's Solar Solutions in solar projects and Merrill Lynch in connection with the financing of a geothermal power plant.

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Illinois: Antitrust				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
1 (UP)	2	4	Joel Chefitz (1) David Marx (1)	Joel Chefitz (1) David Marx (1)
Editorial				
<p>THE FIRM This firm moves up the rankings this year thanks to the quality and volume of work it produces, as well as high levels of client satisfaction. The antitrust team typically handles major class action lawsuits. It is skilled in trial work and represents many clients in the healthcare industry.</p> <p>Sources Say: "The lawyers are responsive, thoughtful and well organized. They are extremely sensitive to clients' needs."</p> <p>KEY INDIVIDUALS Joel Chefitz is "a really talented lawyer" whose practice incorporates both traditional antitrust work and securities and M&A-related litigation. David Marx is "never egocentric - he understands the importance of the client's needs and is sensitive to cost." He heads the antitrust and competition practice group and handles civil and criminal antitrust litigation and counseling. Currently, he is defending Mars in connection with class actions alleging price fixing by manufacturers of chocolate confectionery products.</p>				

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Illinois: Banking & Finance				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
3	3	4	Robert McMenamin (3) Michael Boykins (4)	Robert McMenamin (3) Michael Boykins (4)
Editorial				
<p>THE FIRM This firm has expertise in representing both borrowers and lenders. Six partners and four associates make up the team, which clients praise for its ability to handle matters ranging from complex billion-dollar financings to midmarket transactions. The group receives further plaudits for the practicality and efficiency of its members, who form excellent relationships with clients. One of its key strengths is its ability to utilize the expertise of lawyers in different practice areas and offices across the country and overseas. In recent times, the team has seen an increasing amount of restructuring and recapitalization work. Highlights included acting for HIG Capital on its acquisition of Petroferm, a specialty chemical manufacturer. Other clients include Bank of America, CIT Group and John Hancock.</p> <p>Sources Say: "A great team that has provided phenomenal counsel."</p> <p>KEY INDIVIDUALS Robert McMenamin has more than 30 years of experience in banking and finance, and specializes in syndicated loans, leveraged acquisition financing and asset-based lending. Michael Boykins heads up the team. He represents borrowers and lenders and has expertise in secured and unsecured credit facilities, asset-based lending, senior subordinated debt and venture capital transactions.</p>				

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Illinois: Bankruptcy & Restructuring				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
--	--	5	William Smith (4) (NEW)	--
Editorial				
Other notable practitioner: Bill Smith co-heads the restructuring group at McDermott Will & Emery LLP and focuses on distressed financing. Clients were quick to confirm the value of such experience: "His deep understanding of how financial matters impact upon the outcome has produced outstanding results in the most challenging of credit situations."				

Illinois: Corporate/M&A & Private Equity				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
2	2	5	Corporate/M&A Helen Friedli (2) (UP) Stanley Meadows (4) Brooks Gruemmer (4) (NEW) Private Equity Mark Harris (3) Andrew McCune (3)	Corporate/M&A Helen Friedli (3) Stanley Meadows (4) Private Equity Timothy Bryant (3) Mark Harris (3) Andrew McCune (3)

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Editorial

THE FIRM Twenty-five partners and 30 associates maintain a specialty within the healthcare, life sciences and energy sectors. After the departure of Tim Bryant to Adams Street Partners, the firm's private equity capacity was bolstered with the hiring of Andrew McCune. In this area, the team has closed several equity, venture and buyout deals recently, and has advised on some fund formations. The firm has an established base of long-term clients such as Motorola and Standard Car Truck, advising on local, national and international deals. This is complemented by work for more recent clients, including HIG Capital, which it regularly advises on acquisitions and LBOs.

Sources Say: "They're businesspeople's lawyers; they meld the disciplines of law and business to help us accomplish our objectives."

KEY INDIVIDUALS Helen Friedli is commended by clients and peers as an "outstanding attorney with keen business sense and incisive judgment." Cross-border M&A is a pivotal element of her practice, as evidenced by her recent representation of Cherry Corporation in its sale to the German-headquartered ZF Friedrichshafen. Andrew McCune was brought in from DLA Piper in May 2009 to focus on private equity, and he is respected by the market as a good addition to the team. Recently, he has been advising Baird Capital Partners on its buyout activity. Private equity head Mark Harris has recently been engaged in transactions within the insurance sector. Stan Meadows has particular expertise in the debt restructuring of distressed companies. He is described as a "true veteran of corporate law, with a great reputation." Brooks Gruemmer heads the corporate group and is responsible for advising key clients such as HIG Capital and The Tribune Company. He wins much praise as a "constructive, thoughtful attorney."

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Illinois: Healthcare				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
1	1	3	Michael Anthony (1) Bernadette Broccolo (1) Michael Peregrine (1) Ralph DeJong (2) Kerrin Slattery (3) (UP)	Michael Anthony (1) Bernadette Broccolo (1) Michael Peregrine (1) William Roach (1) Ralph DeJong (2) Elizabeth Mills (3) Kerrin Slattery (U)
Editorial				
<p>THE FIRM This firm remains the undisputed heavyweight for healthcare law in Illinois, with an unrivaled practice breadth and a deep bench of talented attorneys. The group covers all areas of health law, from regulation and litigation to transactions and lobbying. It acts for an enviable roster of high-profile clients, including hospitals, health systems, pharmaceutical and medical device manufacturers, and health insurers. Recent highlights include representing private equity firm Linden in its multimillion-dollar acquisition of Drayer Physical Therapy Institute. The practice has seen a steady increase in the number of clients seeking advice on the implications of healthcare reform, and has consequently launched a new blog charting the latest developments and providing advice and guidance.</p> <p>Sources Say: "The Chicago office is full of talented people; you can see their fingerprint somewhere along the line on most deals."</p> <p>KEY INDIVIDUALS Michael Anthony heads the firm's international health law department and has extensive experience in transactional matters in the healthcare arena. Clients praise him as "intelligent, easygoing and a joy to work with, and well respected within the industry." Bernadette Broccolo has a strong reputation in the legal community after 30 years of providing counsel to healthcare organizations. She</p>				

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specializes in the federal taxation of exempt organizations and nonprofit corporate governance, and also chairs the firm's life sciences division and cochairs the personalized medicine team. She is respected by clients for her "timeliness and willingness to take the difficult position." Michael Peregrine has a national reputation for representing nonprofit organizations in governance, corporate structure and executive compensation matters, among others. Ralph DeJong advises tax-exempt organizations on matters surrounding compensation and executive and employee benefits, working with hospitals and health systems. Kerrin Slattery has experience of health law transactions, acquisitions and joint ventures, and also provides counsel on a variety of state and federal regulatory matters.

Illinois: Insurance

Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
--	--	4	Transactional & Regulatory Thomas Jones (2) (UP)	Transactional & Regulatory Thomas Jones (3)

Editorial

Other notable practitioner: Thomas Jones of McDermott Will & Emery LLP is a leading tax lawyer for organizing captive insurance entities and other alternatives to commercial insurance. He works with taxable and exempt healthcare providers, trade associations, joint ventures and private businesses.

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Illinois: Intellectual Property				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
3	3	3	Margaret Duncan (4)	Margaret Duncan (4)
Editorial				
<p>THE FIRM This national firm's Chicago IP practice houses approximately 24 attorneys whose primary focus is patent litigation. Trademark, copyright, domain name and trade secret litigation are also areas of strength.</p> <p>KEY INDIVIDUALS Practice head and "excellent litigator" Margaret Duncan has achieved numerous recent successes, including several patent infringement cases ranging across for various jurisdictions for Bowe Bell+Howell.</p>				

Illinois: Labor & Employment				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
4	4	4	Stephen Erf (3) Linda Doyle (4) Paul Compennolle (4) (NEW)	Stephen Erf (3) Linda Doyle (4)
Editorial				
<p>THE FIRM This full-service practice of 25 partners and 25 associates is one of the largest in Chicago, and covers every aspect of labor, employment, ERISA, employee benefits and executive compensation matters. It has particular experience in litigation and administrative</p>				

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proceedings relating to employee benefit plans. The firm is extremely popular with clients for its responsiveness, availability and personable lawyers. It recently secured an impressive victory for Chrysler when a US district court preliminarily approved a class action settlement resolving the company's retiree medical obligations to its union retirees and their families. The team also advised the Tribune Company on an employee stock ownership plan, and represented CC Myers following its founder declaring bankruptcy.

Sources say: "The mother of all benefits practices in Chicago – most firms here can trace their lineage to McDermott in one shape or another." "Nobody is as responsive as McDermott – they get back to you and are always on top of things. You may pay extra, but you have a lead partner who ensures all legal efforts are coordinated and walks through everything to see that it's on target. That's worth a little extra."

KEY INDIVIDUALS Jared Kaplan is often referred to as the dean of ESOPs, while "well-rounded and terrific lawyer" Joe Adams is highly regarded for his work in executive compensation, employment agreements and stock ownership plans. John Hendrickson has vast experience in designing and implementing employee benefit plans and executive compensation programs. Nancy Ross is praised for her work in employee benefits class action litigation and ERISA matters, while Susan Nash provides expertise in health and welfare benefits. Karen Simonsen is "responsive and provides consistently outstanding advice and guidance." Stephen Erf works with clients in a range of industries, including education, construction and transportation, handling matters such as restrictive covenants, union organizing, employment discrimination and wrongful discharge. Linda Doyle focuses on confidential information matters and whistle-blower issues, as well as noncompete litigation. Clients are impressed with Paul Compernelle's "knowledge of the law, intelligence and responsiveness; he's an excellent lawyer."

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Illinois: Labor & Employment (Employee Benefits & Compensation)				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
1	1	3	Jared Kaplan (1) Joe Adams (3) (UP) John Hendrickson (3) Susan Nash (3) (NEW) Nancy Ross (3) Karen Simonsen (3)	Jared Kaplan (1) John Hendrickson (3) Nancy Ross (3) Karen Simonsen (3) Joe Adams (U)
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Illinois: Litigation (General Commercial)

Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
3	3	4	David Rosenbloom (2) Jeffrey Stone (2) Joel Chefitz (3) Michael Pope (3) Douglas Whitney (4)	David Rosenbloom (2) Jeffrey Stone (2) Joel Chefitz (3) Michael Pope (3) Douglas Whitney (4)

Editorial

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Sources Say: "I have never been involved with lawyers who have been more hard-working, responsive and diligent in their representation."

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Illinois: Litigation (White-Collar Crime & Government Investigations)

Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
2	2	2	Jeffrey Stone (1) David Rosenbloom (2)	Jeffrey Stone (1) David Rosenbloom (2)

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Illinois: Real Estate

Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
--	--	4	Fred Feinstein (4)	Fred Feinstein (4)

Editorial

Other notable practitioner: The experienced Fred Feinstein of McDermott Will & Emery LLP focuses on general transactional and litigation matters, with an emphasis on real estate development and zoning.

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Illinois: Tax				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
2	2	3	Lowell Yoder (1) Thomas Borders (2) Jane Wells May (3) Andrea Kramer (3)	Lowell Yoder (1) Thomas Borders (2) Jane Wells May (3) Andrea Kramer (3)
Editorial				
<p>THE FIRM The 15 partners and 25 associates comprising this standalone tax practice place make it one of the most sizable in Chicago. Its recent workload has mostly consisted of providing tax-planning advice to a clientele of Fortune 100 companies, as well as assisting with corporate restructurings and the development of litigation strategies. A substantial amount of its controversy and corporate tax work is cross-border in nature; clients testify to the team's strong knowledge of state and local tax, federal income tax and international tax planning.</p> <p>Sources Say: "The firm's geographic coverage augments its considerable expertise in virtually all areas of business taxation."</p> <p>KEY INDIVIDUALS The focal point of Lowell Yoder's practice is international corporate tax planning and structuring on behalf of major corporates and financial institutions. As an increasing number of US companies seek to invest overseas, he remains at the forefront of such global activity. Thomas Borders cochairs the tax controversy group and devotes his time to domestic and international audits, administrative appeals and litigation at the federal level. Clients were quick to praise Andrea Kramer's expertise in the tax treatment of financial instruments and derivatives. Jane May is a solid choice for state income tax matters.</p>				

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Massachusetts: Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
2	2	3	Andrew Liazos (1) (UP)	Andrew Liazos (2)
Editorial				
<p>THE FIRM The benefits group at this well-regarded firm advises on a range of matters such as restructuring compensation packages, developing performance-related pay structures, government policy, and pension work including a number of under funded 'defined benefit' pension plans. Clients include Ocean Spray Cranberries, Pearl Meyer & Partners and Tootsie Roll.</p> <p>Sources Say: "A well-established practice with some high quality lawyers."</p> <p>KEY INDIVIDUALS Andrew Liazos advises on the tax and securities aspects of executive compensation, as well as ERISA fiduciary, transactional and employee stock ownership plans. He is considered "an exceptional lawyer who is highly skilled, practical and responsive."</p>				

Massachusetts: Environment				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
2	1	3	Jeffrey Bates (1) Susan Cooke (1)	Jeffrey Bates (1) Susan Cooke (1)
Editorial				
<p>THE FIRM This strongly established firm handles a range of matters within its environmental practice, including enforcement, permitting,</p>				

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brownfields redevelopment and litigation. The team advised a number of railroad companies on a new environmental project that will enable power lines along railroad corridors to be leased to private businesses.

Sources Say: "A skilled group of lawyers, which covers an impressive breadth of environmental issues."

KEY INDIVIDUALS Jeffrey Bates is "highly creative and well connected - he can get things done on a national level." He focuses on environmental litigation, compliance, cleanups, brownfields development and insurance coverage. Susan Cooke has an excellent reputation. She deals with enforcement actions, permitting and registration activities, brownfields redevelopment and development of legislative and regulatory proposals.

Massachusetts: Healthcare

Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
1	1	3	Stephen Bernstein (1) Christopher Jedrey (1) Charles Buck (2)	Stephen Bernstein (1) Christopher Jedrey (1) Charles Buck (2)

Editorial

THE FIRM This group is a first choice for clients seeking representation in regulatory and transactional matters, including those relating to data protection issues, M&A and joint ventures. The team has a strong reputation in Boston and New England; recently, it has also advised clients further afield, in New York, Wisconsin and Texas, for example. The group's portfolio of clients includes Novartis, The Hospital of Central Connecticut and the Foundation For Seacoast Health.

Sources Say: "Responsive, timely and committed; a premier firm for healthcare in the state."

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KEY INDIVIDUALS Stephen Bernstein is regarded as “top-notch in the e-health and data protection area,” and also counsels clients on corporate matters. He advises Cardinal Health on HIPAA privacy and security, pharmaceutical compliance and data matters. Christopher Jedrey concentrates on strategic affiliations, clinical research and faculty practice plan matters and is considered “a really intelligent attorney with a keen eye for business issues.” Charles Buck is praised as “a thorough and efficient practitioner; nothing ever escapes him.” His practice centers on both corporate and regulatory compliance work.

Massachusetts: Intellectual Property

Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
--	--	3	Sarah Chapin Columbia (3)	Sarah Chapin Columbia (3)

Editorial

Other notable practitioner: Sarah Chapin Columbia of McDermott Will & Emery LLP undertakes the full spectrum of IP matters, including patents, trademarks and trade secrets. Sources describe her as “an intelligent, hands-on strategic thinker” who “has the unique ability to distill complex and complicated issues into an understandable form.” Columbia represented Akamai in patent litigation involving delivery of content over the Internet and streaming media issues in the District of Massachusetts and the Southern District of Texas

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Massachusetts: Labor & Employment				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
4 (NEW)	--	4	Scott Faust (3) (NEW) Heather Sussman (U) (NEW)	--
Editorial				
<p>THE FIRM This well-rounded practice advises on both labor and employment work including collective bargaining negotiations, class action defense and data security issues. Clients include Kaiser Aluminum, Robert Half International and the William Jefferson Clinton Foundation; the team also advises DTE's Energy Services subsidiary on labor relations matters.</p> <p>Sources Say: "A responsive and committed firm with excellent resources."</p> <p>KEY INDIVIDUALS Scott Faust advises on arbitration, collective bargaining negotiations, mediation and litigation of disputes, and is praised as "an employment law expert who keeps a cool head." Heather Sussman advises on a range of employment issues. She wins client praise as "a highly skilled and attentive strategist who thinks through the challenges she faces and then meets them head on."</p>				

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Massachusetts: Litigation (General Commercial)				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
2	2	3	General Commercial Edward Leibensperger (1) White Collar Mark Pearlstein (1) (UP)	General Commercial Edward Leibensperger (1) Mark Pearlstein (2) White Collar Mark Pearlstein (2)
Editorial				
<p>THE FIRM This widely respected group is particularly strong in healthcare disputes and tax litigation. Other areas of expertise include antitrust, securities, class actions, insurance, commercial contracts, IP and white-collar criminal matters. Clients include Concentra, Foundation For Seacoast Health and Inverness Medical Innovations.</p> <p>Sources Say: "A well-known and highly respected team of bright, hardworking lawyers."</p> <p>KEY INDIVIDUALS Mark Pearlstein is "a fantastic lawyer - thoughtful, bright and savvy." He focuses on white-collar criminal defense, the defense of actions brought by the SEC, complex commercial litigation, arbitration and internal investigations. Clients prize his strategic guidance. "First-rate trial lawyer" Edward Leibensperger advises on general business disputes, securities litigation, corporate governance and professional liability cases. He is "an exceptional lawyer who is held in high regard."</p>				

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Massachusetts: Private Equity				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
--	--	3	Mark Stein (3) (NEW)	--
Editorial				
Other notable practitioner: Mark Stein of McDermott Will & Emery LLP enters the table this year. He focuses on private equity and represented Tuckerman Capital III in its acquisition of the combined assets of Pyramid Technologies and Pyramid 5.				

New York: Corporate/M&A (Highly Regarded)				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
2	2	4	Tim Alvino (4) (UP) Thomas Sauermilch (5)	Tim Alvino (5) Thomas Sauermilch (5)
Editorial				
THE FIRM Broad-based in terms of industry coverage but principally focused on the mid-market, this practice represents investment banks, which it routinely advises on proprietary deals, and strategic corporate buyers. The firm is well regarded in the healthcare and life sciences sectors, while energy work is another area of strength. The group is especially well known in the cross-border arena, advising on a range of inbound and outbound matters to and from Europe and Asia. Highlights include acting for Irving Oil on a joint venture with Repsol to build a \$1 billion LNG terminal, storage and regassification facility in Saint John, New Brunswick, and advising China Mining Partners on the sale of shares in one of China's largest mining firms.				

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Sources Say: "What makes them stand out isn't just their legal expertise, it's their friendly and down-to-earth approach – they know how we do business, and are dedicated to advancing our interests."

KEY INDIVIDUALS Tim Alvino has "all the talents – he is intelligent, articulate, diligent and a strong negotiator," attest sources, adding: "Sometimes, the path isn't always clear, but he has great insight into the client's goals and can really get them to where they want to go." Thomas Sauermilch is New York-based but German in origin, and has a strong inbound German practice. "His perfect understanding of both legal cultures makes every situation that much easier," report interviewees.

New York: Environment

Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
--	--	3	Peter Sacripanti (3)	Peter Sacripanti (3)

Editorial

Other notable practitioner: Peter Sacripanti of McDermott Will & Emery LLP handles complex environmental disputes on behalf of major corporations and industry groups. Recently, he has represented long-standing client Exxon Mobil in a number of cases, including approximately 80 mass tort contamination and products liability actions

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New York: Healthcare				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
--	--	3	David Ivill (3) (NEW)	--
Editorial				
Other notable practitioner: David Ivill makes his debut in the table following resounding endorsement of his status as McDermott Will & Emery LLP's leading healthcare specialist in New York. "He never disappoints. He is smart, reliable and has a wonderful temperament," clients report.				

New York: Immigration				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
--	--	2	Joan-Elisse Carpentier (3)	Joan-Elisse Carpentier (3)
Editorial				
Other notable practitioner: Joan-Elisse Carpentier of McDermott Will & Emery LLP has a legion of loyal clients who are won over by her "personal touch" and "find her faultless in every way." In addition to advising corporate clients on inbound immigration matters she assists US citizens with obtaining foreign visas				

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New York: Real Estate				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
--	--	4	Keith Pattiz (4) (NEW)	--
Editorial				
Other notable practitioner: Keith Pattiz of McDermott Will & Emery LLP is appreciated for "being a big-picture guy who always focuses on the real business issues." Over the last year, he has been handling the real estate aspects of the Morgans Hotel Group's new downtown hotel				

New York: Tax				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
3 (UP)	4	4	Arthur Rosen (3) Peter Faber (4) Thomas Giegerich (4)	Arthur Rosen (3) Peter Faber (4) Thomas Giegerich (4)
Editorial				
THE FIRM This team offers expertise in state, local and federal tax, with fortes in corporate, transfer pricing and controversy matters. Highlights include complex restructuring work for Diageo, and advising Morgan Stanley on state and local tax issues resulting from its joint venture with Citi.				
Sources say: "A high-caliber practice with a deep bench of exceptional attorneys."				

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KEY INDIVIDUALS Arthur Rosen is a prominent state and local tax specialist who focuses on tax planning and litigation. He is hailed by clients as an "extremely knowledgeable and very experienced practitioner." Peter Faber is also well respected in state and local tax litigation; sources report that "when he speaks, people listen." Thomas Giegerich has "broad experience and great tax knowledge, combined with very good commercial business understanding." His practice takes in corporate tax planning, restructurings and transfer pricing.

Texas: Intellectual Property

Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
--	--	4	Susan Knoll (1) Carey Jordan (3) (NEW)	Susan Knoll (1)

Editorial

Other notable practitioners: The experienced Susan Knoll has a reputation among peers as a very good patent litigator, and has particular knowledge of the chemistry, biotech, semiconductor, computer and oilfield industries. She currently heads up the IP practice in McDermott Will & Emery LLP's Houston office, which opened its doors in 2008. The firm has made a concerted push in the area, making a series of lateral hires. Carey Jordan is one of these new recruits, joining with others from Baker Botts in early 2010. Her practice involves managing and developing patent portfolios, particularly for traditional energy and clean energy clients, who "think very highly of her."

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National: Antitrust				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
3	3	3	--	--
Editorial				
<p>THE FIRM This practice is centered in Illinois and Washington, DC, with added capacity provided by teams in New York and California. The attorneys in Chicago are praised for their strength in litigation, recently defending Mars in a price-fixing class action dispute. On the East Coast, the group recently secured clearance on behalf of Böwe Bell + Howell, for the sale of its document scanner business to Eastman Kodak. The practice receives national mandates from multinational clients across many industries, including healthcare, technology and food and beverages.</p> <p>Sources say: "The team provides multijurisdictional advice on our most significant acquisitions. The lawyers speak with authority and put our business people at ease."</p> <p>KEY INDIVIDUALS Based in Washington, DC, Ray Jacobsen and Joe Winterscheid are leaders in the practice.</p>				

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National: Appellate Law				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
--	--	4	Miller Baker (4)	Miller Baker (4)
Editorial				
<p>Other notable practitioner: Miller Baker of McDermott Will & Emery LLP is recommended for his "compelling briefs and deep knowledge." He focuses on appellate and constitutional litigation. Notable victories include acting for Arthur Andersen in a landmark Federal Arbitration Act case, culminating in the US Supreme Court overturning a lower court decision written by the Chief Justice John Roberts when he was a judge on the court of appeals for the DC Circuit.</p>				

National: Corporate/M&A (Highly Regarded)				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
1 (NEW)	--	3	--	--
Editorial				
<p>THE FIRM McDermott's ten offices in California, headquarters in Chicago and extensive transactional and regulatory expertise in New York and Washington, DC ensure that it has a strong nationwide presence in the corporate market. The firm has an emphasis on midmarket work and is broad-based in terms of industry focus, although it is particularly well known in the healthcare, life sciences and energy sectors. It regularly advises investment banks on proprietary deals and corporations on strategic acquisitions. Private equity work is also an important feature of the group's workload, especially out of Chicago. Recent highlights include advising Evonik Industries on its acquisition of Tippecanoe Laboratories from Eli Lilly and acting for Belgian conglomerate Sarens Bestuur on its acquisition of Rigging International.</p>				

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Sources Say: "One of the most responsive law firms I've ever dealt with – if I want something done quickly, I tend to turn to McDermott."

KEY INDIVIDUALS New York-based David Goldman is head of the corporate department.

National: Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation

Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
1 (NEW)	--	4	Andrew Liazos (3) (NEW)	--

Editorial

THE FIRM This firm has a thriving benefits practice and a particularly strong profile in Chicago, although it also has experts in important locales such as New York, Boston and San Diego. While it recently lost a substantial proportion of its Washington, DC group to Proskauer Rose, its national resources successfully cushioned any blow. The group is a major force in employee benefits and pensions work and is in demand for its expertise in ESOP matters. In addition, its lawyers undertake a substantial amount of compensation matters.

Sources say: "This firm is a great choice for pension and welfare plan work."

KEY INDIVIDUALS Andrew Liazos is praised for his solution-driven approach. Clients explain: "He has a vast wealth of experience, which he draws on to come up with innovative responses to problems." He is primarily recognized for his expertise in executive compensation matters.

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National: Energy (Electricity)				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
Regulatory & Litigation 3 (NEW) Transactional 4 (NEW)	3	Regulatory & Litigation 5 Transactional 4	Regulatory & Litigation Paul Pantano (1) (NEW) Michael Yuffee (3) (NEW) Transactional Daryl Rice (3) (NEW)	--
Editorial				
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KEY INDIVIDUALS Paul Pantano is the best energy trading regulatory lawyer in the USA, according to interviewees. He worked for a long time at the CFTC, and his knowledge of the energy derivatives area is what sets him apart from his peers. He typically works on transactional issues, as well as CFTC and FERC investigations. Recent highlights include acting for Barclays Bank on its acquisition of the US power and gas, base metals and crude oil trading businesses of UBS. He has also represented Bank of America and Merrill Lynch on many of the energy-related approvals necessary to consummate their merger. Michael Yuffee is the firm's key FERC practitioner, and his broad practice covers transactional support, administrative litigation, compliance and enforcement, and organized markets work. He is "a brilliant guy and a tough, strong advocate who is innovative in crafting solutions." He represented Constellation in a declaratory judgment action before the US District Court of Rhode Island brought by Narragansett Electric and in related public utilities commission proceedings. Kenneth Irvin is a leading CFTC and FERC natural gas trading lawyer, lauded by clients for "knowing when to play good cop and when to play bad cop, and doing a very good job of balancing risks and rewards." Irvin has been representing Brookfield Energy Marketing in the first public hearing on a market manipulation claim.

Daryl Rice works on structured power and gas transactions, predominantly acting for financial institutions. He represented Macquarie Cook Energy in connection with its acquisition of the downstream gas assets of Constellation Energy. Robert Stephens is another leading structured energy transactions lawyer, who represents both energy marketers and financial institutions in major power and oil & gas transactions. Clients describe him as "an extremely thorough lawyer who doesn't shy away from challenging issues." Stephens recently advised Constellation Energy Resources on the negotiation and documentation of a three-year natural gas supply facility provided by Macquarie Cook Energy for Constellation NewEnergy - Gas Division. He also assisted Reliant Energy in the restructuring of its \$1 billion-plus credit sleeve provided by Merrill Lynch Commodities.

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National: Energy (Oil & Gas)				
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National: ERISA Litigation				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
2	2	3	Nancy Ross (2) Bill Boies (3)	Nancy Ross (2) Bill Boies (3)
Editorial				
<p>THE FIRM This firm has a long-standing commitment to ERISA litigation and maintains a high profile in the area. In addition to a stellar team of litigators, clients also benefit from the expertise of a large group of ERISA generalists. Chicago is arguably the hub of the practice, but the firm also has specialists in Los Angeles, Orange County and Boston. The team undertakes a variety of cases and has been particularly active in excessive fee litigation relating to 401(k) plans. Other areas of expertise include breach of fiduciary duty. Recent work in this area includes representing Northern Trust in a class action brought by participants in its 401(k) plan alleging breach of fiduciary duty relating to the loss of value of the company stock fund.</p> <p>KEY INDIVIDUALS The "talented and engaging" Nancy Ross is a top-flight practitioner who has played a major role in driving the practice forward. Recently, she was successful in achieving a settlement for Chrysler in a class action relating to its retiree medical obligations to its union retirees. Bill Boies is a highly prized litigator and one of the most prominent practitioners in the group. He regularly defends State Street against claims, most recently representing it in a case relating to retirement plans sponsored by GM and Delphi.</p>				

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National: Food & Beverages (Alcohol)

Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
1	1	4	Marc Sorini (Star*)	Marc Sorini (Star*) Daniel Davis (2)

Editorial

THE FIRM This compact but well-regarded team is led by preeminent Washington, DC-based lawyer Marc Sorini, and stands out for its regulatory expertise and enviable client list. Despite the departure of California-based attorney Daniel Davis, the practice continues to provide excellent coverage across licensing, labeling, marketing and regulatory compliance of alcoholic beverages and non-beverage alcohol product-related matters.

Sources say: "The lawyers are really committed to what they do, and excellent at adapting to changing circumstances and finding the right person in the firm to help."

KEY INDIVIDUALS Practice head Marc Sorini represents a string of big names in the wine, beer and spirits industries and is highly praised for his "personable approach, industry passion and invaluable legal insight." His practice covers both regulatory and litigation matters.

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National: Government (Political Law)				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
2	2	2	Bobby Burchfield (3)	Bobby Burchfield (3)
Editorial				
<p>THE FIRM McDermott Will & Emery's Washington, DC office leads the practice group in campaign finance and election law matters. The firm is particularly well regarded for its prowess in political law litigation, where it represents clients at every level. The department also represents corporations, political action committees, campaign committees and candidates in proceedings before the Federal Election Commission. Impressive work highlights include being retained by the National Republican Senatorial Committee to act as counsel in the 2010 and 2011 elections.</p> <p>Sources say: "A team of exceptionally capable, knowledgeable and practical attorneys."</p> <p>KEY INDIVIDUALS Sources call Bobby Burchfield "an eminent lawyer in the election law arena." He is also active in campaign finance and ethics issues and considered "a real go-to guy" for high-profile political and corporate litigation.</p>				

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National: Healthcare				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
1 (NEW)	--	4	Transactional Ira Coleman (1) (NEW) Gary Scott Davis (1) (NEW) Joel Michaels (1) (NEW) Michael Anthony (2) (NEW) Stephen Bernstein (2) (NEW) Bernadette Broccolo (2) (NEW) Christopher Jedrey (2) (NEW) Douglas Mancino (2) (NEW) Michael Peregrine (3) (NEW) Regulatory/Litigation Eric Gordon (1) (NEW) Joel Michaels (1) (NEW)	--

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Editorial

THE FIRM This undisputed healthcare giant dominates the market, fielding an impressive stable of specialists across the country. The group is equally skilled in transactional, regulatory and litigation work and counts some of the biggest healthcare organizations among its clients. It is particularly favored by providers but also represents a vast number of medical manufacturers, insurers and clinical laboratories.

Sources Say: "The 800-pound gorilla of the healthcare world. It provides a first-rate service across the board and is the premier destination for healthcare providers."

KEY INDIVIDUALS Eric Gordon impresses clients with his "excellent legal skills and good business sense." According to one, "he is an indispensable counselor who can explain the most complicated legal analyses in a clear manner." He focuses on regulatory work. Joel Michaels is universally acclaimed as one of the deans of the healthcare Bar and is lauded for his expertise in regulatory and transactional matters. Boston-based Stephen Bernstein is regarded as one of the top healthcare IT lawyers in the country. He concentrates on advising clients on HIPAA and electronic health record issues. Clients praise his "practical understanding of the healthcare industry." Ira Coleman is regarded as "the rainmaker" of the group and has a terrific transactional practice. His clients value his business acumen, explaining: "He can see the big picture and is very creative in coming up with new and interesting business opportunities." Gary Scott Davis is noted as a "careful and precise lawyer who thinks three steps ahead." He is the group's leading expert on managed care work. Douglas Mancino is heralded as "a guru in the tax-exempt area." Sources agree: "He is a great guy to work with because he always has his eyes on the prize and gets the deal done." Chicago-based Michael Anthony is "intelligent, easygoing and a joy to work with." He is well respected within the industry and widely recognized for his transactional expertise. He regularly advises on M&A, divestitures and joint ventures. Bernadette Broccolo has developed an impressive practice and is best known for her experience of advising on clinical trial agreements. Clients say: "She is not afraid to take a stand and fight the hard fight." Christopher Jedrey leads the Boston healthcare practice and is described as "an incredibly smart attorney who can explain complicated matters in layman's terms." Chicago-based Michael Peregrine is highly sought after across the country; he specializes in representing tax-exempt and nonprofit organizations.

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National: Insurance				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
--	--	3	Transactional & Regulatory Thomas Jones (3) (NEW)	--
Editorial				
<p>Another notable practitioner: Another new name to the rankings is Chicago-based Thomas Jones, who handles tax and insurance regulation at McDermott Will & Emery LLP. He is considered by interviewees to be one of the best in the country for insurance taxation matters.</p>				

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National: Intellectual Property				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
3	3	4	--	--
Editorial				
<p>THE FIRM This group's litigation prowess is highlighted as a key strength, but the firm also has expertise in reexaminations, due diligence and prosecution. The Washington, DC and California offices are the main hubs, with IP expertise also to be found in Illinois, Massachusetts, New York and Texas. A cross-office team secured a favorable settlement for the Research Corporation Technologies in a patent infringement lawsuit with Microsoft, among other notable examples of work.</p> <p>Sources say: "They have great depth and scale. They also cooperate very well internally and are good at putting the right attorneys on the right cases."</p> <p>KEY INDIVIDUALS The Washington, DC office is home to Joel Freed, deemed a "sublime litigator."</p>				

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National: International Trade				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
4 (UP)	5	5	Export Controls & Economic Sanctions David Levine (2) (NEW)	Trade Remedies & Policy Michael House (5)
Editorial				
<p>THE FIRM This firm has made waves with its role in settling the 'Banana Wars', a long-standing trade dispute that predates the establishment of the WTO. It counseled Chiquita Brands International and several Latin American nations as they agreed to drop trade litigation against the EU, who in turn will reduce tariffs on imported bananas. Though the departure of Michael House was noted by market commentators, the team remains more than capable of handling a range of matters, from trade remedies to export controls and compliance.</p> <p>Sources say: "The lawyers offer great insight into trade questions, and don't just spout standard policy answers."</p> <p>KEY INDIVIDUALS David Levine's practice straddles import and export work, and he successfully represented Illinois Tool Works and its Chinese subsidiary as respondents in antidumping proceedings before the US Department of Commerce, ITC and US Court of International Trade. Clients appreciate that "he never takes for granted what we do or do not know; he ensures that we fully understand the circumstances and options."</p>				

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National: Life Sciences				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
3	3	4	--	--
Editorial				
<p>THE FIRM This team has developed an impressive life sciences and medical devices group, advising clients on regulatory, corporate partnering and IP matters. The team's ever-growing client roster includes Affymetrix, GE Medical, Harvard University, Roche Diagnostics and Teva Pharmaceuticals. A recent highlight was representing Amgen in a patent case against Roche. The Washington, DC group has considerable regulatory experience, while the lawyers in the California offices are best known for IP work.</p> <p>Sources say: "What I value the most is their expertise and ability to move a matter in the right direction without constant input from us."</p> <p>KEY INDIVIDUALS The practice is headed by Reed Stephens and Bill Gaede.</p>				

National: Privacy & Data Security				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
Privacy & Data Security 3 (NEW) Healthcare 1 (NEW)	--	3	--	--

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Editorial

THE FIRM This firm is known for its healthcare sector expertise. It is particularly strong on HIPAA and HITECH act matters, and primarily advises out of Boston and Chicago.

Sources say: "Smart, hard-working lawyers with a broad range of knowledge."

KEY INDIVIDUALS Stephen Bernstein advises on information law in the healthcare space out of Boston.

National: Projects

Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
Oil & Gas 4	Oil & Gas 4	Oil & Gas 4	Sergio Pozzerle (2) (UP) Scott Arrington (3) (UP) David Schumacher (3)	John Cogan (1) David Schumacher (3) Sergio Pozzerle (3)
Power 4 (NEW)		Power 4	Blake Winburne (3) (NEW) Matt Archer (U) (NEW)	Scott Arrington (4)
Renewables/Alt Energy 3 (NEW)		Renewables/Alt Energy 4	Renewables/Alt Energy – Spotlight Table Sergio Pozzerle (1)	

Editorial

THE FIRM McDermott Will & Emery has had an interesting and high-profile time of late, following the recruitment of talented attorneys

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Sergio Pozzerle, Blake Winburne and Matt Archer and the departure of oil and gas legend John Cogan. The firm continues to have considerable expertise in the structured and project finance surrounding oil and gas and power projects, such as hedging and volumetric production payments, and works with an extensive network of clients who are attracted by McDermott's preeminence in energy and commodities trading. Blake Winburne brings with him a thriving sponsor-side power practice, as well as a great deal of experience in renewables.

On the renewables front, Pozzerle's project development and renewable energy credit and carbon expertise is a good fit with the firm's skill in structured wind hedges and tax equity financings. Recent work includes acting for MS Solar Solutions in its formation of a strategic alliance with Main Street Power to provide solar photovoltaic systems to municipalities, schools and nonprofit organizations. The firm also acted for First Wind on the negotiation of a secured financial hedge related to the financing and construction of the Stetson Wind Facility.

KEY INDIVIDUALS Sergio Pozzerle has one of the most impressive stables of renewable energy clients of any attorney in the USA, acting for BP, Horizon, First Wind and Element Markets among others. He is recognized as one of the finest lawyers in the country when it comes to the negotiation of PPAs, EPCs and other project documents and can take a project from start to finish. Clients say: "When you combine his raw intellect, workhorse approach, great commercial instincts and understanding of just how far you can push people on a deal, you have a simply fantastic lawyer." David Schumacher focuses on project finance and related secondary markets and has worked in renewables, conventional power and oil and gas. He has long-standing expertise representing lenders and recently advised Citi on providing a secured wind hedge to Sheldon Energy connected with the \$175 million financing and construction of a wind project in New York.

Scott Arrington arrived at the firm with the now-departed John Cogan, and is a talented mining, oil and gas and LNG projects attorney whose "collaborative style and great efficiency" marks him out as one of the future leaders of the Texas region. He recently acted for Sociedad GNL Mejillones as project company on the development of an LNG regasification facility in northern Chile.

Blake Winburne is a recent arrival from Baker Botts. His profile in the domestic power market has increased considerably in the last couple of years and this looks set to continue. His recent work has shifted toward the renewables sector, where he has achieved impressive results. He works for sponsors on project development, is a favorite of private equity clients when it comes to project acquisitions and

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divestitures and attracts praise as a "top-drawer, entrepreneurial" attorney. Recently, he represented GDF SUEZ as project counsel on the Nuevo Pemex cogeneration project and advised ArcLight Capital Partners on its refinancing of the nonrecourse project financing facility at the Texas 300 MW natural gas-fired Victoria power plant. Matt Archer has assisted Winburne with these matters and is highly rated for his work in power and renewables. His expertise in wind turbine supply, PPA negotiation and tax equity structuring has won especial praise, with one leading wind developer asserting that "he is the best lawyer in the States for dealing with turbine suppliers."

National: Tax (Controversy)

Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
2	2	4	William Goldman (1) Thomas Borders (3) Peter Faber (4) Michael Kelleher (4) Jean Pawlow (U) (NEW)	William Goldman (1) Thomas Borders (3) Peter Faber (4) Michael Kelleher (4)

Editorial

THE FIRM This controversy practice has a deep bench of talent and handles a diverse workload that includes domestic and international issues, IRS audits and appeals, and litigation at the trial and appellate levels, including the Supreme Court. The 30-strong team is also experienced in state and local tax, handling work for a national clientele in connection with local taxing authorities.

Sources say: "This group is ready, willing and able. It has expertise in virtually all areas of business taxation, and excels at bringing to bear the correct resources."

KEY INDIVIDUALS William Goldman is unsurpassed when it comes to tax controversy. Senior counsel based in Washington, DC, his

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expertise extends to federal and state tax controversy matters. Thomas Borders is a "high-quality litigator with good courtroom presence." Co-head of the group, he focuses on federal tax controversy issues including audits, administrative appeals and litigation. Of note was his recent representation of Bryan Cave in tax malpractice suits. New York-based senior counsel Peter Faber is "a brilliant intellect and deservedly respected" when it comes to controversy matters at the federal, state and local level. Michael Kelleher acts on substantial federal income tax controversies, transfer pricing, and insurance matters from his base in Washington, DC. He is described as "extremely effective with excellent judgment." Jean Pawlow is "dedicated to client service," and recently made headlines, winning an important case for Capital One Financial.

National: Tax (Corporate & Finance)

Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
3	3	4	--	--

Editorial

THE FIRM This 25-strong team is well equipped to handle acquisitions and restructurings. Advising on tax transactions at federal, state and local level, this team is dominant in the mid-market. Its recent workload has included a substantial amount of tax planning for Fortune 100 companies, and clients include Tribune Company and Tyco International. The group operates out of Chicago, Washington, DC, New York and Los Angeles.

Sources say: "The firm's geographic coverage augments its superb expertise very well."

KEY INDIVIDUALS Stephen Wells is one of the key practitioners in Washington, DC.

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National: Wealth Management				
Ranking 2010	Ranking 2009	Number of Tiers	Leading Individuals 2010	Leading Individuals 2009
1	1	4	Central Region Quentin Heisler (S) Carol Harrington (1) Judith McCue (1) Richard Lang (2) (UP) Eastern Region Henry Christensen (1) Western Region Jonathan Lurie (2) (NEW)	Central Region Carol Harrington (1) Judith McCue (1) Quentin Heisler (2) Richard Lang (3) Eastern Region Henry Christensen (1)
Editorial				
<p>THE FIRM This 45-lawyer group covers the full spectrum of estate, succession, gift transfer and wealth planning services, catering for families and individuals, family offices, closely held businesses, foundations, and investment management entities throughout the USA. The firm has been historically strong in tax planning in particular, but houses experts in every field. This includes generation-skipping tax, Chapter 14 matters and employee benefits.</p> <p>Sources say: "The work product is superb and more than worth what you pay - the firm's approach is efficient and cost effective."</p> <p>KEY INDIVIDUALS Carol Harrington heads the firm's private client practice group and is an authority on federal generation-skipping tax.</p>				

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She is described by one commentator as "a leader through her sheer intellectual prowess: she has superb judgment and her advice to clients is unflinching." She is based in Chicago alongside Judith McCue, who is well regarded for her expertise on trust and estate administration. McCue has successfully negotiated and implemented a complex family settlement agreement in a dispute involving a nine-figure estate. Clients say of her: "She has a wonderful manner and is a thoughtful and effective communicator." Richard Lang specializes in wealth transfer and income tax planning for venture capital and entrepreneurial clients, and wins acclaim for his "careful but also creative" approach to matters. He operates out of Chicago alongside Quentin Heisler, who is senior counsel at the firm. Heisler has particular expertise in succession and transfer tax problems for families that control public and closely held companies. He is described as "a master at taking complex estate planning theory and principles and demystifying them so that a layperson can understand them." Jonathan Lurie is "exceptional with clients and always gives 110%. You can also guarantee that he will get the job done with the minimum of fuss." Based in Los Angeles, he is regarded by many as one of the leading West Coast experts on high-value tax and estate planning for wealthy individuals. Henry Christensen heads the private client practice in New York. He has over 35 years of experience handling domestic and international private client and estate planning work. He wins acclaim for his "exceptional intellect and outstanding client skills," and recently acted as co-counsel to the trustees and IRS chief negotiator on a foreign trusts dispute.