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Rankings & Editorial

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### About the Rankings

PLC ranking structure consists of "Leading," "Highly Recommended," "Recommended," and "Recognized," which is equivalent to tier one, two, three and four respectively.

The rankings and editorial commentary are based on face-to-face and telephone interviews, questionnaires and written responses of in-house counsel and private practitioners. PLC research is ongoing throughout the year and comprises around 25 practice-specific online "Cross-Border Handbooks." Note, as with all directory-style publications, some of the editorial descriptions can be dated by the time of publication.

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<b>CHINA: Corporate/M&amp;A (Local Advice)</b>	
<b>Firm Ranking 2010</b>	<b>Leading Individuals 2010</b>
Recognized	John Huang – Recognized
<b>Editorial:</b> John Huang – Established corporate lawyer, known for his experience representing international clients.	

<b>ENGLAND: Corporate/M&amp;A</b>	
<b>Firm Ranking 2010</b>	<b>Leading Individuals 2010</b>
Recommended	Hugh Nineham – Recommended
<b>Editorial:</b> Hugh Nineham – Head of the European corporate practice. Expertise in advising multinational firms on M&A and securities matters.	

<b>ENGLAND: IP (Patent Litigation)</b>	
<b>Firm Ranking 2010</b>	<b>Leading Individuals 2010</b>
Recognized	Gary Moss – Leading Hiroshi Sheraton – Leading

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<b>ENGLAND: IP (Non Patent Litigation)</b>	
<b>Firm Ranking 2010</b>	<b>Leading Individuals 2010</b>
Recognized	--

<b>ENGLAND: Labor &amp; Employee Benefits</b>	
<b>Firm Ranking 2010</b>	<b>Leading Individuals 2010</b>
Recognized	--

<b>ENGLAND: Employment</b>	
<b>Firm Ranking 2010</b>	<b>Leading Individuals 2010</b>
Recommended	David Dalgarno – Leading Alison Wetherfield – Leading

<b>ENGLAND: Private Client</b>	
<b>Firm Ranking 2010</b>	<b>Leading Individuals 2010</b>
Recommended	Martyn Gowar – Leading

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<b>ENGLAND: Tax</b>	
<b>Firm Ranking 2010</b>	<b>Leading Individuals 2010</b>
Recommended	Peter Nias – Highly Recommended
<b>Editorial:</b> Peter Nias – Head of the London tax group and recommended for direct and indirect matters, particularly transfer pricing.	

<b>EUROPEAN UNION / BELGIUM: Competition/Antitrust</b>	
<b>Firm Ranking 2010</b>	<b>Leading Individuals 2010</b>
Recommended	Clive Stanbrook – Leading (Competition/Antitrust)  Philip Bentley – Leading (State Aid)
<b>Editorial:</b> The EU team at this Chicago firm, advises on mergers, government investigations, counseling and distribution matters as well as handling litigation.	

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<b>GERMANY: Tax</b>	
<b>Firm Ranking 2010</b>	<b>Leading Individuals 2010</b>
Recommended	Dirk Pohl – Recommended  Arndt Raupach – Recognized
<b>Editorial:</b> Dirk Pohl – Has a broad practice covering cross-border tax projects, tax litigation and corporate tax advice; Arndt Raupach – An of counsel and handles national and international tax matters, tax litigation before the courts, as well as providing integrated legal, tax and organization advice to businesses.	

<b>GERMANY: Media</b>	
<b>Firm Ranking 2010</b>	<b>Leading Individuals 2010</b>
Recommended	Ralf Weisser – Recommended
<b>Editorial:</b> Ralf Weisser – Head of the firm's German TMT practice and co-head of the global group. His practice focuses on advising companies in the media, entertainment and telecommunications industries on the drafting and negotiation of commercial contracts, M&A transactions and regulatory matters, as well as handling litigation.	

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<b>ITALY: Banking &amp; Finance</b>	
<b>Firm Ranking 2010</b>	<b>Leading Individuals 2010</b>
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<b>ITALY: Capital Markets (Debt)</b>	
<b>Firm Ranking 2010</b>	<b>Leading Individuals 2010</b>
Recommended	Massimo Trentino – Leading

<b>ITALY: Capital Markets (Equity)</b>	
<b>Firm Ranking 2010</b>	<b>Leading Individuals 2010</b>
Recognized	--

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<b>ITALY: Corporate/M&amp;A</b>	
<b>Firm Ranking 2010</b>	<b>Leading Individuals 2010</b>
Recognized	Filippo Mazza – Recommended
<b>Editorial:</b> Filippo Mazza – Dexterous corporate specialist with acknowledged expertise in public M&A involving energy and insurance companies.	

<b>ITALY: Investment Funds</b>	
<b>Firm Ranking 2010</b>	<b>Leading Individuals 2010</b>
Recommended	Massimo Trentino – Leading

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<b>UNITED STATES: Competition/Antitrust</b>	
<b>Firm Ranking 2010</b>	<b>Leading Individuals 2010</b>
Recommended	--

<b>UNITED STATES: Life Sciences (Intellectual Property)</b>	
<b>Firm Ranking 2010</b>	<b>Leading Individuals 2010</b>
Recognized	--

<b>UNITED STATES: Private Client</b>	
<b>Firm Ranking 2010</b>	<b>Leading Individuals 2010</b>
Leading	Henry Christensen – Leading Carol Harrington – Leading

<b>UNITED STATES: Restructuring &amp; Insolvency</b>	
<b>Firm Ranking 2010</b>	<b>Leading Individuals 2010</b>
Recommended	--

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UNITED STATES: Tax	
Firm Ranking 2010	Leading Individuals 2010
Highly Recommended	<p>Lowell Yoder – Highly Recommended</p> <p>Thomas Borders – Recommended (Tax Litigation)</p> <p>William Goldman – Recommended (Tax Litigation)</p> <p>Jean Pawlow – Recognized (Tax Litigation)</p>
<p><b>Editorial:</b> Lowell Yoder – Well-regarded co-chair of the international tax practice and particularly noted for cross-border strategic M&amp;A and transactional planning. Thomas Borders – Chicago-based tax partner, recommended for his work on federal tax controversies in the corporate, investment and financial fields; William Goldman – Tax partner based at the firm's Washington office, active in federal and state tax controversy, including both administrative and contentious representations; Jean Pawlow – Focused on tax controversy and litigation, specialized in ADR, administrative IRS appeal, and representations in the US tax court, and Court of Federal claims in Washington DC.</p>	

UNITED STATES: LOS ANGELES: Tax	
Firm Ranking 2010	Leading Individuals 2010
Recognized	--

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UNITED STATES: SAN FRANCISCO / SILICON VALLEY: Intellectual Property	
Firm Ranking 2010	Leading Individuals 2010
Highly Recommended	Terrence McMahon – Leading
<b>Editorial:</b> Terrence McMahon – A high-profile and highly regarded litigator with broad expertise, though best known for his high-stakes patent, trade mark and trade secret experience.	

UNITED STATES: SAN FRANCISCO / SILICON VALLEY: Tax	
Firm Ranking 2010	Leading Individuals 2010
Recommended	Frederick Chilton – Recommended
<b>Editorial:</b> Frederick Chilton – Silicon Valley-based partner noted for complex corporate tax matters, he is recommended by clients as a "technically precise, yet practical adviser".	

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UNITED STATES: DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: Competition/Antitrust	
Firm Ranking 2010	Leading Individuals 2010
Recommended	Raymond Jacobsen – Leading Joseph Winterscheid – Leading
<p><b>Editorial:</b> Eight partners and 17 fee earners. The team generates about 60% of its own work which is evenly split between advice on transactional matters and handling litigation cases, with some general anti-trust counseling. The advice also extends to issues relating to pricing practices and distribution in various industries. Although this is a predominantly national practice the team does represent clients in international cartel investigations, multinational M&amp;A, international distribution matters and cross-border licensing arrangements. The Chicago-based team is high profile. Clients include Aleris International, Alliant Techsystems, American Standard, Amgen, Blackboard, Constellation Brands, Enodis, Foundation Coal, Hill-Rom, Inc and Hitachi.</p>	

UNITED STATES: DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: Intellectual Property	
Firm Ranking 2010	Leading Individuals 2010
Highly Recommended	Raphael Lupo – Highly Recommended Joel Freed – Recommended
<p><b>Editorial:</b> Raphael Lupo – Among the most high profile of the firm's IP litigators, with an emphasis on patent, trade mark and trade secret disputes and strategies; Joel Freed – Practice covers nearly every aspect of IP law including unfair competition, litigation and licensing, with a particular strength in patents.</p>	

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UNITED STATES: DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: Tax	
Firm Ranking 2010	Leading Individuals 2010
Highly Recommended	James Riedy – Recommended Blake Rubin – Recommended Stephen Wells – Recognized
<p><b>Editorial:</b> James Riedy – Recommended for his strong international tax expertise, including transactional tax and transfer-pricing matters; Blake Rubin – highly regarded tax partner, he concentrates on all aspects of federal real estate and partnership tax; Stephen Wells – Head of the firm's tax team and recognized for his transactional taxation advice, his practice includes formations, joint ventures and reorganizations of major multinationals.</p>	

UNITED STATES: FLORIDA: Dispute Resolution	
Firm Ranking 2010	Leading Individuals 2010
Recommended	Bruce Berman – Recommended
<p><b>Editorial:</b> Bruce Berman – Broad-based commercial litigation and arbitration practice that covers federal and state securities, aviation, intellectual property, health law, real estate, construction and commercial lending.</p>	

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UNITED STATES: ILLINOIS: Banking & Finance	
Firm Ranking 2010	Leading Individuals 2010
Recommended	Robert McMenamin – Leading

UNITED STATES: ILLINOIS: Competition/Antitrust	
Firm Ranking 2010	Leading Individuals 2010
Highly Recommended	Joel Chefitz – Leading David Marx – Leading

UNITED STATES: ILLINOIS: Corporate/M&A	
Firm Ranking 2010	Leading Individuals 2010
Recommended	Helen Friedli – Recommended Stanley Meadows – Recommended

**Editorial:** Helen Friedli – Dedicated to M&A, a significant portion of which is focused on multinational transactions. Further experience advising on hostile takeovers and governance. Stanley Meadows – Concentrates on M&A and corporate restructurings and securities offerings.

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<b>Firm Ranking 2010</b>	<b>Leading Individuals 2010</b>
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<b>UNITED STATES: ILLINOIS: Insurance</b>	
<b>Firm Ranking 2010</b>	<b>Leading Individuals 2010</b>
Recognized	--

  

<b>UNITED STATES: ILLINOIS: Intellectual Property</b>	
<b>Firm Ranking 2010</b>	<b>Leading Individuals 2010</b>
Recommended	Margaret Duncan – Recommended
<b>Editorial:</b> Margaret Duncan – Best known in the market for her non-contentious IP expertise, although also involved in related litigation.	

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<b>UNITED STATES: ILLINOIS: Employee Benefits</b>	
<b>Firm Ranking 2010</b>	<b>Leading Individuals 2010</b>
Recommended	John Hendrickson – Leading

<b>UNITED STATES: ILLINOIS: Private Equity/Venture Capital</b>	
<b>Firm Ranking 2010</b>	<b>Leading Individuals 2010</b>
Highly Recommended	Laurence Bronska – Leading  Mark Harris – Leading  Andrew McCune – Leading

<b>UNITED STATES: ILLINOIS: Restructuring &amp; Insolvency</b>	
<b>Firm Ranking 2010</b>	<b>Leading Individuals 2010</b>
Highly Recommended	William Smith – Recommended
<b>Editorial:</b> William Smith – Head of the firm's bankruptcy practice. Main focus is representing creditors in all aspects of restructuring	

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UNITED STATES: ILLINOIS: Tax	
Firm Ranking 2010	Leading Individuals 2010
Highly Recommended	Lowell Yoder – Highly Recommended Jared Kaplan – Recommended
<b>Editorial:</b> Lowell Yoder – Well-regarded co-chair of the international tax practice and particularly noted for cross-border strategic M&A and transactional planning. Jared Kaplan – Domestic tax partner who is noted for corporate issues and is particularly recommended for employee share and incentive plans.	

UNITED STATES: MASSACHUSETTS: Environment	
Firm Ranking 2010	Leading Individuals 2010
Recommended	Jeff Bates – Leading Susan Cooke – Leading

UNITED STATES: MASSACHUSETTS: Labor & Employment	
Firm Ranking 2010	Leading Individuals 2010
Recommended	Scott Faust – Leading

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UNITED STATES: NEW YORK: Real Estate	
Firm Ranking 2010	Leading Individuals 2010
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<b>Editorial:</b>	

UNITED STATES: NEW YORK: Tax	
Firm Ranking 2010	Leading Individuals 2010
Recommended	Peter Faber – Recommended Arthur Rosen – Recommended
<b>Editorial:</b> Peter Faber – Highly experienced tax lawyer and head of the firm's New York tax practice. Advises on federal and state tax matters, with a particular focus on tax planning and controversy; Arthur Rosen – Advises multinational and domestic entities on tax planning matters, with a particular focus on state and local taxation. He also has a strong tax litigation practice.	