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## 123 Shumaker Lawyers Recognized in the 2022 Edition of The Best Lawyers in America®

One hundred twenty-three Shumaker lawyers were recognized by Best Lawyers® in their 2022 legal rankings. Ninety-eight Shumaker lawyers were selected for inclusion in the 28<sup>th</sup> Edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*®. Seven Shumaker lawyers earned “Lawyer of the Year” recognition in their respective geographic region and practice area. Additionally, 25 lawyers were included in the Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch edition, which recognizes lawyers who are early in their careers for their outstanding professional excellence in private practice.

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#### **Charleston**

- H. Michael Bowers: Commercial Litigation, Product Liability Litigation – Defendants
- J. Bennett Crites, III: Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants

- G.P. Diminich: Corporate Law, Tax Law, Trusts and Estates
- Felix C. Pelzer: Tax Law, Trusts and Estates
- Elizabeth T. Thomas: Health Care Law

## **Charlotte**

- W. Thad Adams, III: Litigation – Intellectual Property, Litigation – Patent, Patent Law, Trademark Law
- Lynn F. Chandler: Trusts and Estates
- Philip S. Chubb: Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- David H. Conaway: Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- Stephanie C. Daniel: Trusts and Estates, Litigation – Trusts and Estates
- Daniel R. Hansen: Litigation – Construction
- Warren P. Kean: Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships), Litigation and Controversy – Tax, Tax Law
- John D. Kocher: Medical Malpractice Law – Defendants
- Moses Luski: Real Estate Law
- Steven A. Meckler: Commercial Litigation
- John H. Northey III: Real Estate Law
- Scott M. Stevenson: Medical Malpractice Law – Defendants, Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants
- Karen H. Stiles: Medical Malpractice Law – Defendants
- Frederick M. Thurman, Jr.: Employment Law – Management, Litigation – Labor and Employment

## **Columbus**

- David F. Axelrod: Corporate Compliance Law
- Michael E. Born: Environmental Law, Litigation – Environmental
- Michael J. O'Callaghan: Environmental Law

## **Sarasota**

- Anthony J. Abate: Commercial Litigation, Construction Law
- Steven J. Chase: Commercial Litigation
- Douglas A. Cherry: Copyright Law, Litigation – Intellectual Property, Patent Law, Trademark Law

- Daniel J. DeLeo: Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Construction
- Benjamin R. Hanan: Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- Gregory M. Marks: Tax Law
- Jan W. Pitchford: Real Estate Law
- Malcolm J. Pitchford: Real Estate Law

## Tampa

- Jaime Austrich: Commercial Litigation
- Willard A. Blair: Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- C. Philip Campbell, Jr.: Commercial Litigation, Litigation – First Amendment, Litigation – Intellectual Property, Litigation – Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- Ronald A. Christaldi: Health Care Law
- Duane A. Daiker: Appellate Law
- Hugo S. deBeaubien: Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Commercial Litigation
- Julio C. Esquivel: Corporate Governance Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- Melanie S. Griffin: Commercial Litigation
- Michele Leo Hintson: Commercial Litigation
- W. Kent Ihrig: Banking and Finance Law, Real Estate Law
- John S. Inglis: Real Estate Law
- Ernest J. Marquart: Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Commercial Litigation
- Andrew J. Mayts: Banking and Finance Law, Construction Law
- W. Jan Pietruszka: Employment Law – Management, Litigation – Labor and Employment
- Samuel P. Queirolo: Real Estate Law
- Maria delCarmen Ramos: Immigration Law
- Mindi M. Richter: Litigation – Intellectual Property, Trademark Law
- Darrell C. Smith: Banking and Finance Law, Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Securities / Capital Markets Law, Securities Regulation
- William R. Swindle: Tax Law, Trusts and Estates
- J. Todd Timmerman: Litigation – Intellectual Property, Litigation – Patent, Patent Law,

Trademark Law

- Seth P. Traub: Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- Thomas M. Wood: Commercial Litigation
- Gregory C. Yadley: Corporate Compliance Law, Corporate Law, Leveraged Buyouts and Private Equity Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Securities / Capital Markets Law, Securities Regulation

## **Toledo**

- M. Scott Aubry: Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- John C. Barron: Commercial Litigation, Medical Malpractice Law – Defendants
- Thomas C. Blank: Banking and Finance Law, Financial Services Regulation Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Securities / Capital Markets Law
- Michael M. Briley: Transportation Law
- Eric D. Britton: Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law
- Cheri A. Budzynski: Environmental Law
- John H. Burson: Litigation – Trusts and Estates, Trusts and Estates
- James R. Carnes: Commercial Litigation
- David J. Coyle: Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Litigation – Bankruptcy
- Terrance K. Davis: Commercial Litigation, Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants
- Scott G. Deller: Workers' Compensation Law – Employers
- Gary R. Diesing: Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law
- Thomas P. Dillon: Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Antitrust, Litigation – Intellectual Property, Litigation – Labor and Employment
- Michael E. Dockins: Litigation – Patent
- Robert H. Eddy: Legal Malpractice Law – Defendants
- Janis E. Susalla Foley: Litigation – Labor and Employment, Product Liability Litigation – Defendants
- Jack G. Fynes: Personal Injury Litigation – Plaintiffs
- William H. Gosline: Trusts and Estates
- W. Reed Hauptman: Banking and Finance Law
- Douglas G. Haynam: Environmental Law,

Litigation – Environmental

- John W. Hilbert, II: Banking and Finance Law, Corporate Law, Financial Services Regulation Law, Real Estate Law
- Regina M. Joseph: Corporate Law, Immigration Law
- Peter E. Krebs: Corporate Law
- John N. MacKay: Banking and Finance Law
- Timothy C. McCarthy: Employment Law – Management, Labor Law – Management
- Michael S. McGowan: Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships), Closely Held Companies and Family Business Law, Corporate Law, Tax Law
- Brian N. McMahon: Franchise Law
- J. Douglas Miller: Litigation – Patent
- John K. Nelson: Commercial Litigation, Insurance Law, Litigation – Mergers and Acquisitions
- Thomas G. Pletz: Commercial Litigation, Litigation – First Amendment, Litigation – Labor and Employment
- David J. Rectenwald: Trusts and Estates
- Joseph A. Rideout: Real Estate Law
- James I. Rothschild: Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Securities / Capital Markets Law
- Gregory S. Shumaker: Real Estate Law
- John J. Siciliano: Product Liability Litigation – Defendants, Workers' Compensation Law – Employers
- Peter R. Silverman: Arbitration, Commercial Litigation, Franchise Law, Litigation – Intellectual Property, Litigation – Securities, Mediation
- Joseph S. Simpson: Environmental Law
- John L. Straub: Family Law
- Gregory H. Wagoner: Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Banking and Finance
- Mark D. Wagoner: Appellate Practice, Commercial Litigation, Franchise Law
- David F. Waterman: Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Tax Law
- Martin D. Werner: Banking and Finance Law
- James F. White, Jr.: Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Securities / Capital Markets Law
- David W. Wicklund: Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Antitrust, Litigation – Intellectual



- Property
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### Lawyer of the Year:

- Thomas C. Blank: Mergers and Acquisitions Law – Toledo
- Terrance K. Davis: Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants – Toledo
- Janis E. Susalla Foley: Product Liability Litigation – Defendants – Toledo
- W. Reed Hauptman: Banking and Finance Law – Toledo
- Warren P. Kean: Litigation and Controversy – Tax – Charlotte
- Joseph S. Simpson: Environmental Law – Toledo
- Mark Wagoner: Appellate Practice – Toledo

### **Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch:**

#### **Charlotte**

- Tom BenGera: Intellectual Property Law, Litigation – Patent
- Ronald D.P. Bruckmann: Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Commercial Litigation
- Megan M. Stacy: Commercial Litigation

#### **Columbus**

- Marcus A. Miller: Commercial Litigation

#### **Sarasota**

- C. Jade Davis: Commercial Litigation, Construction Law, Litigation – Construction
- David B. Heedy: Tax Law, Trusts and Estates
- Brett M. Henson: Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Construction
- Andrew J. Oppenheim: Commercial Litigation
- Maris K.V. Snell: Alternative Dispute Resolution, Commercial Litigation
- Charles A. Wood: Commercial Litigation

#### **Tampa**

- Junior Ambeau: Administrative / Regulatory Law, Commercial Litigation, Corporate Law
- Jason W. Davis: Administrative / Regulatory Law, Litigation – Construction, Litigation – Real Estate
- Christina Nethero: Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships)
- Matt Newton: Litigation – Real Estate

- Colin Rice: Real Estate Law
- Samantha R. Vloedman: Insurance Law

## Toledo

- John Pedro Dombrowski: Tax Law
- Kristen M. Fries: Intellectual Property Law
- Wyatt J. Holliday: Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law
- Nicholas A. Huckaby: Commercial Litigation
- Austin K. Irving: Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- Matthew T. Kemp: Commercial Litigation
- Nicolas A. Linares: Litigation – Trusts and Estates, Trusts and Estates
- Matthew C. Spaulding: Commercial Litigation, Corporate Law
- David P. Strup: Commercial Litigation, Product Liability Litigation – Defendants

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