

Pullman & Comley Attorneys Named as 2017 Connecticut Super Lawyers and Rising Stars

Several Among Top Ranked in Connecticut and New England

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BRIDGEPORT, Connecticut: Twenty-eight attorneys from Pullman & Comley, LLC, were recently named to the *Connecticut Super Lawyers* list for 2017, the law firm reported today. In addition, nine of the firm's attorneys were named as 2017 *Super Lawyers* "Connecticut Rising Stars."

The Pullman & Comley attorneys on the 2017 *Connecticut Super Lawyers* list include the following, listed with their cited practice areas:

David P. Atkins, Professional Liability: Defense, Business Litigation, Civil Litigation
Elizabeth J. Austin, Bankruptcy & Creditor/Debtor Rights
Morris Banks, Securities & Corporate Finance, Mergers & Acquisitions, Tax
Collin P. Baron, Health Care, Business/Corporate
Campbell D. Barrett, Family Law, Appellate
Deborah S. Breck, Estate Planning & Probate, Estate & Trust Litigation
John B. D'Agostino, Real Estate, Securities & Corporate Finance
Anne C. Dranginis, Family Law, Alternative Dispute Resolution, Appellate
Monte E. Frank, Business Litigation, State, Local & Municipal, Employment & Labor
Eliot B. Gersten, Business Litigation, General Litigation, Real Estate
Irve J. Goldman, Bankruptcy, Business Litigation
Nancy A. D. Hancock, Securities & Corporate Finance, Business/Corporate, Mergers & Acquisitions
Joshua A. Hawks-Ladds, Employment & Labor, Business Litigation, General Litigation
Robert C. Hinton, Business Litigation, Employment Litigation
Lee D. Hoffman, Energy & Natural Resources, Environmental, Utilities
Robert L. Holzberg, Alternative Dispute Resolution
Jonathan A. Kaplan, Business Litigation, Bankruptcy
Michael A. Kurs, Health Care, Administrative Law, General Litigation
Thomas F. Maxwell, Jr., Civil Litigation, Criminal Defense, Insurance Coverage
Christopher P. McCormack, Environmental Litigation, Business Litigation, Environmental
Michael P. McKeon, Schools & Education, Employment Litigation
Adam S. Mocchiolo, Business Litigation, Employment & Labor, Intellectual Property, Immigration
Gary B. O'Connor, Environmental, Real Estate, Land Use/Zoning, State, Local & Municipal
Jonathan B. Orleans, Employment & Labor, Business Litigation

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Michael G. Proctor, Real Estate, Health Care
James T. (Tim) Shearin, Business Litigation, Antitrust Litigation, Securities Litigation
Alan J. Sobol, Criminal Defense, Business Litigation, Construction Litigation
and Diane W. Whitney, Environmental, Land Use/Zoning.

Those named to the Rising Stars list include:

Megan Y. Carannante, Business Litigation, Construction Litigation, Employment & Labor
Nathaniel Gentile, Criminal Defense: White Collar
Rachel Ginsburg, Employment Litigation: Defense, Employment & Labor, Schools & Education
Johanna S. Katz, Family Law
Brion J. Kirsch, Real Estate, Securities & Corporate Finance, Business/Corporate
Jon T. Kukucka, Family Law, Appellate
Erick A. Russell, Government Finance
Zachary D. Schurin, Schools & Education, Employment & Labor, Employment Litigation
and Steven J. Stafstrom, Jr., Business Litigation.

David P. Atkins, Campbell D. Barrett and James (Tim) Shearin were each ranked as a "2017 Connecticut Top 50 Super Lawyer"; James (Tim) Shearin was ranked as a "2017 Connecticut Top 10 Super Lawyer" and Diane W. Whitney was ranked as a "2017 Top 25 Women Connecticut Super Lawyer." Campbell D. Barrett and James (Tim) Shearin were additionally selected as "2017 New England Top Super Lawyers." The names of the attorneys selected to Connecticut Super Lawyers appear in the November 2017 issue of *New England Super Lawyers*, and in a special section appearing in the February 2018 issue of *Connecticut* magazine.

Super Lawyers is a rating service of outstanding lawyers from more than 70 practice areas who have attained a high-degree of peer recognition and professional achievement. *Super Lawyers* selects attorneys using a rigorous, multiphase rating process. Peer nominations and evaluations are combined with third party research. Each candidate is evaluated on 12 indicators of peer recognition and professional achievement. Selections are made on an annual, state-by-state basis. The Rising Stars selection process is the *Super Lawyers* selection process except that candidates must be either 40 years old or younger or in practice for ten years or less, and the selection process does not include peer evaluation by practice area.

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With more than 95 attorneys, Pullman & Comley is one of Connecticut's largest firms and provides a wide range of legal services to clients in the New England region, as well as throughout the United States and internationally. Pullman & Comley's major practice areas include business organizations and finance;

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environmental; government finance; health care; labor, employment law and employee benefits; litigation; property tax and valuation; real estate and land use; regulatory, energy and telecommunications; and trusts and estates. The firm has offices in Bridgeport, Hartford, Stamford, Waterbury and White Plains. The firm is an active member of the Law Firm Alliance, an international affiliation of law firms.

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