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173 Locke Lord Lawyers Named to The Best Lawyers in America® 2024 List, 39 Recognized as Ones to Watch

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August 17, 2023 – Locke Lord is pleased to announce 173 lawyers from 15 U.S. offices have been recognized in the 2024 edition of The Best Lawyers in America®, and 39 lawyers from 10 offices were recognized in Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch. In addition, five of the Firm's lawyers were recognized under the special designation of Lawyer of the Year, an honor earned by just one lawyer in each practice area and metropolitan area.

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- **Todd L. Cooper** (Cincinnati) – Public Finance Law
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Austin

- **W. Steven Bryant** – Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- **Jerry K. Clements** – Commercial Litigation
- **Nicole Olvera Cook** – Real Estate Law
- **Lauren Morgan Fincher** – Commercial Litigation
- **Brad Hawley** – Real Estate Law
- **L. Jeffrey Hubenak** – Banking and Finance Law, Real Estate Law
- **Stephen J. Humeniuk** – Ones to Watch: Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Commercial Litigation
- **Susan A. Kidwell** – Appellate Practice
- **Robert D. Miller** – Government Relations Practice
- **Tai C. Tran** – Mortgage Banking Foreclosure Law, Real Estate Law
- Tammy Ward Woffenden – Health Care Law

Boston

- **Ryan DiSantis** – Privacy and Data Security Law
- **Christopher M. Flanagan** – Tax Law
- **Richard D. Glovsky** – Commercial Litigation, Employment Law – Management, Litigation – Labor and Employment
- **Stanley Keller** – Corporate Compliance Law, Corporate Governance Law, Corporate Law
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- **George Ticknor** – Banking and Finance Law, Corporate Law, Leveraged Buyouts and Private Equity Law

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- **John L. Whitlock** – Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law

Chicago

- **Jonathan E. Aberman** – Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law
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- **Jon Biasseti** – Insurance Law
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- **Nick J. DiGiovanni** – Insurance Law, Reinsurance Law
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- **Matthew T. Furton** – Commercial Litigation, Insurance Law, Litigation – Intellectual Property
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- **Rowe W. Snider** – Insurance Law
- **Samuel Stempel** – Real Estate Law
- **Molly McGinnis Stine** – Insurance Law
- **Benjamin P. Sykes** – Health Care Law
- **Abigail Van Hook** – Ones to Watch: Commercial Litigation
- **Ann Marie Walsh** – Commercial Litigation, Product Liability Litigation – Defendants
- **Steven T. Whitmer** – Commercial Litigation, Insurance Law

Cincinnati

- **Todd L. Cooper** – Public Finance Law, Tax Law

Dallas

- **Caroline H. Boone** – Ones to Watch: Commercial Litigation
- **Stuart Bumpas** – Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law, Nonprofit / Charities Law, Tax Law, Trusts and Estates
- **E. Philip Bush** – Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law, Tax Law
- **Paul E. Coggins** – Criminal Defense: White-Collar, Litigation – Regulatory Enforcement (SEC, Telecom, Energy)
- **Michael H. Collins** – Arbitration, Commercial Litigation, Energy Law
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- John K. Arnold** – Energy Regulatory Law
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