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# Financial Times Shortlists Troutman Pepper for Four Innovative Lawyers Awards

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**NEW YORK** – Troutman Pepper has been shortlisted for four [2023 Financial Times Innovative Lawyers Awards North America](#). The firm is up for recognition in the Innovative Lawyers in Energy Transition, Innovative Lawyers in Cyber Security & Data Protection, Change Maker, and Innovation in Digital Solutions categories. The awards, now in their 13th year, showcase the top law firms and in-house legal teams driving innovation in the North American legal sector.

### Shortlisted Awards

#### *Innovative Lawyers in Energy Transition*

The Innovative Lawyers in Energy Transition award recognizes teams that have bridged professional disciplines, created new standards, and delivered outstanding outcomes for clients. Troutman Pepper's nationally recognized [Energy practice](#) is shortlisted for the award thanks to its work on behalf of clients to lead the energy evolution. The team handles matters that influence how energy is valued, distributed, stored, and sold.

#### *Innovative Lawyers in Cyber Security & Data Protection*

Troutman Pepper's [Privacy + Cyber](#) practice and trailblazing co-leaders [Jim Koenig](#) and [Ron Raether](#) are up for recognition in the Innovative Lawyers in Cyber Security & Data Protection category thanks to the team's 360-degree approach to privacy that leverages an integrated team of lawyers and professional staff, including former chief privacy officers, chief security officers, auditors, and industry executives.

#### *Change Maker*

The Change Maker award recognizes intrapreneurs who have helped their firms change culture, behaviors, processes, and be more adaptable. Troutman Pepper's [Chief Innovation Officer Will Gaus](#) is a finalist in the category thanks to his work to build an industry-leading innovation function within the firm that focuses on both the client and attorney experience, including his work on generative AI.

#### *Innovation in Digital Solutions*

In recognition of the firm's remarkable use of generative AI, including its creation of the [Generative AI Task Force](#) and GPT-powered virtual assistant, [Athena](#), Troutman Pepper is shortlisted in the Innovation in Digital Solutions category.

The Innovative Lawyers North America 2023 rankings report is developed by the *Financial Times* in partnership with RSGI. Winners are selected following a nomination cycle and extensive research that includes telephone interviews, questionnaires, and reviews. Market experts also assess the submissions and the research.

Winners will be announced at the Innovative Lawyers Awards North America Dec. 4 event at Gotham Hall in New York.

### **About Troutman Pepper**

Troutman Pepper is a national law firm with more than 1,200 attorneys strategically located in 23 U.S. cities. The firm's litigation, transactional, and regulatory practices advise a diverse client base, from startups to multinational enterprises. The firm provides sophisticated legal solutions to clients' most pressing business challenges, with depth across industry sectors, including energy, financial services, health sciences, insurance, and private equity, among others. Learn more at [troutman.com](https://troutman.com).

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