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TOP LAWYERS

Our 2017 list of the area's go-to attorneys—including criminal defenders, divorce lawyers, estate planners, and personal-injury experts—in 20 categories

WASHINGTON HAS MORE LAWYERS THAN ANYWHERE ELSE IN THE COUNTRY—WHICH MEANS it's pretty tough to whittle them down to the 700-plus names you'll find on this list. We started over the summer, with a survey of the hundreds of attorneys recognized on our 2015 list, asking whom they consider the best among their peers. We then contacted still more lawyers to solicit their input. Though it's impossible not to overlook some deserving people, what follows is a directory of much of Washington's top legal talent.

CRIMINAL DEFENSE, WHITE COLLAR

Embattled pols, government officials, CEOs, and people accused of financial crimes count on these.

Kevin Chambers

Latham & Watkins

Alice Fisher

Latham & Watkins

Kathryn Ruemmler

Latham & Watkins

CYBERSECURITY

Clients tap these experts to advise them on cyber-attacks, data protection, and privacy law.

Jennifer Archie

Latham & Watkins

SUPREME COURT

These attorneys—the best for persuading the nine justices—directly influence the laws of our land.

Gregory Garre

Latham & Watkins

TAX

These experts help clients handle the IRS.

Nicholas DeNovio

Latham & Watkins

Miriam Fisher

Latham & Watkins