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TOP LAWYERS

The area's star legal talent—including divorce lawyers, criminal defenders, immigration attorneys, and estate planners—in 17 categories

EVERY OTHER YEAR, WE ENDEAVOR TO COMPILE A LIST OF THE BEST LEGAL talent in Washington—not an easy feat in a city with more attorneys than some entire countries. It's not a perfect science, but our process begins with a survey of our past Top Lawyers, asking them to nominate other deserving folks within their practice areas. From there, we layer on more reporting and research.

The list features prominent capital-W Washington lawyers who have been in the news lately because they've protected government whistleblowers, defended immigrants and members of the press, or represented officials embroiled in a presidential impeachment. But our reporting was also aimed at identifying the top choices for help with more run-of-the-mill needs, such as divorces and estate planning.

Criminal Defense, White Collar

Embattled government officials, CEOs, and corporations count on these lawyers.

Alice Fisher

Latham & Watkins

Supreme Court

Top advocates for making a case before the nine justices as well as in lower federal appellate courts.

Gregory Garre

Latham & Watkins

Melissa Arbus Sherry

Latham & Watkins

Tax

These experts help clients handle the IRS.

Nicholas DeNovio

Latham & Watkins

Miriam Fisher

Latham & Watkins

Jean Pawlow

Latham & Watkins