23 Shutts Attorneys Recognized as 2020’s Best Lawyers by Orlando Magazine

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Shutts & Bowen LLP is pleased to announce that 23 Central Florida attorneys have been recognized as 2020 Best Lawyers® by Orlando Magazine, with four attorneys named “Lawyer of the Year” in their respective fields.

Available in the April 2020 issue, Orlando Magazine’s list highlights the top 5 percent of practicing Orlando-area attorneys recommended by their colleagues through an extensive peer-review evaluation that asks established lawyers to name the practitioners at the top of their particular fields. Among the listed Shutts attorneys are several partners who were also selected as a “Lawyer of the Year”: James G. Willard (Real Estate Law); John H. Dannecker (Construction Law); Mary Ruth Houston (Litigation – Labor and Employment); and Michael L. Gore (Litigation – Banking and Finance).

The following is a list of the Shutts attorneys named as 2020's Best Lawyers by Orlando Magazine, and the areas in which they are recognized:

- **Andrew M. Brumby**: Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law; Litigation – Bankruptcy
- **Brent C. Bell**: Litigation – Construction
- **Charles B. Costar, III**: Land Use and Zoning Law; Real Estate Law
- **Charles Robinson Fawsett**: Employment Law – Management; Labor Law – Management; Litigation – Labor and Employment
- **Daniel T. O'Keefe**: Real Estate Law
- **Donald J. Curotto**: Litigation – Real Estate; Real Estate Law
- **Gregory Humphries**: Corporate Law
- **Jack C. McElroy**: Commercial Litigation; Litigation – Banking and Finance
- **James A. Timko**: Litigation – Bankruptcy
- **James F. Johnston**: Government Relations Practice; Real Estate Law
- **James G. Willard**: Real Estate Law
  - **Lawyer of the Year**: Real Estate Law
- **Jason G. Williams**: Real Estate Law
- **Jennifer Slone Tobin**: Real Estate Law
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- **John H. Dannecker**: Construction Law; Litigation – Construction
  - **Lawyer of the Year**: Construction Law
- **Juli Simas James**: Land Use and Zoning Law; Real Estate Law
- **Mary Ruth Houston**: Employment Law – Management; Labor Law – Management; Litigation – Labor and Employment
  - **Lawyer of the Year**: Litigation – Labor and Employment
- **Michael Crosbie**: Litigation – Intellectual Property
- **Michael J. Grindstaff**: Litigation – Real Estate; Real Estate Law
- **Michael L. Gore**: Litigation – Banking and Finance
  - **Lawyer of the Year**: Litigation – Banking and Finance
- **Paul J. Scheck**: Employment Law – Management; Labor Law – Management
- **Roderick N. Jones**: Banking and Finance Law
- **Russell P. Hintze**: Mergers and Acquisitions Law; Tax Law
- **Todd F. Kobrin**: Litigation – Construction

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