Shutts & Bowen Attorneys Selected for Inclusion in Best Lawyers in America 2020; 8 Partners Selected as 'Lawyer of the Year'

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Shutts and Bowen is proud to announce 86 lawyers were recognized by their peers for inclusion in the 2020 Edition of *The Best Lawyers in America®*. Among them are several partners who were also selected as a “Lawyer of the Year” in their respective fields: Gary M. Bagliebter (Criminal Defense: White-Collar); James G. Willard (Real Estate Law); John H. Dannecker (Construction Law); Luis A. de Armas (International Trade and Finance Law); Mary Ruth Houston (Litigation - Labor and Employment); Michael L. Gore (Litigation - Banking and Finance); Steven M. Greenberg (Litigation - Intellectual Property); and Woodrow H. Pollack (Copyright Law).

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The following is a list of the Shutts attorneys named and the areas in which they are recognized:

**FORT LAUDERDALE**

- Brendan Aloysius Barry: Real Estate Law
- Edward J. O'Sheehan: Litigation - Bankruptcy
- Gary M. Bagliebter: Commercial Litigation; Criminal Defense: White-Collar; Litigation - Banking and Finance
  - Lawyer of the Year: Criminal Defense: White Collar
- Joseph M. Goldstein: Administrative / Regulatory Law
- Marshall J. Emas: Real Estate Law
- Sandra E. Krumbein: Real Estate Law

**JACKSONVILLE**

- Jeffrey York: Commercial Litigation

**MIAMI**

- Alfred G. Smith: Corporate Law
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- **Arthur J. Furia**: Banking and Finance Law; Corporate Law; International Mergers & Acquisitions
- **Bowman Brown**: Banking and Finance Law; Corporate Law; Insurance Law; International Trade and Finance Law; Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- **Bryan S. Wells**: Banking and Finance Law
- **Florentino L. Gonzalez**: Real Estate Law
- **Francis E. Rodriguez**: Corporate Law; Trusts and Estates
- **Frank A. Zacherl**: Litigation - Insurance
- **Gary J. Cohen**: Tax Law
- **Donald Wasil**: Real Estate Law
- **Thomas Cookson**: Banking and Finance Law; Corporate Law; Securities/Capital Markets Law
- **Jeffrey M. Landau**: Insurance Law
- **John E. Meagher**: Insurance Law; Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants
- **Joseph D. Bolton**: Real Estate Law
- **Kevin D. Cowan**: Real Estate Law
- **Lee D. Mackson**: Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law; Litigation – Bankruptcy
- **Luis A. de Armas**: Corporate Law; International Mergers & Acquisitions; International Trade and Finance Law; Mergers and Acquisitions Law
  - Lawyer of the Year: International Trade and Finance Law
- **Margaret A. Rolando**: Real Estate Law
- **Miranda Lundeen Soto**: Litigation - Insurance
- **Peter H. Levitt**: Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- **Rene J. Gonzalez-Llorens**: Employment Law - Management
- **Robert G. Fracasso**: Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- **Roland A. Gallor**: Real Estate Law
- **Sheila M. Cesarano**: Employment Law – Management; Labor Law - Management
- **Stephen B. Gillman**: Commercial Litigation; Litigation – Antitrust; Litigation - Banking and Finance; Litigation - Securities
- **Steven M. Ebner**: Commercial Litigation
- **William F. Smith**: Banking and Finance Law
- **William G. McCullough**: Banking and Finance Law
ORLANDO

- 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
- 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
SARASOTA

- John Patterson: Corporate Law; Real Estate Law

TAMPA

- Adam S. Woodruff: Corporate Law; Real Estate Law
- Eric S. Adams: Commercial Litigation
- Erik R. Matheney: Commercial Litigation; Criminal Defense: White-Collar; Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants
- Frederick S. Werdine: Eminent Domain and Condemnation Law
- Jordan G. Lee: Trusts and Estates
- Lauren Stricker: Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- Lee E. Nelson: Real Estate Law
- Lonnie L. Simpson: Commercial Litigation
- Mark P. Rankin: Criminal Defense: General Practice; Criminal Defense: White-Collar
- Meredith Freeman: Construction Law; Litigation – Construction; Litigation - Real Estate
- Michael P. Silver: Commercial Litigation
- Olga M. Pina: Corporate Law
- Alan Higbee: Agriculture Law; Corporate Compliance Law; Corporate Governance Law; Corporate Law; Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- Steven K. Barber: Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law
- Suzanne Labrit: Appellate Practice; Commercial Litigation
- Timothy D. Woodward: Construction Law
- Tirso M. Carreja, Jr.: Commercial Litigation
- Woodrow H. Pollack: Copyright Law; Information Technology Law; Litigation - Intellectual Property; Litigation – Patent; Patent Law; Trademark Law
  - Lawyer of the Year: Copyright Law

WEST PALM BEACH

- Alfred A. LaSorte, Jr.: Commercial Litigation; Litigation - Real Estate
- Arthur J. Menor: Real Estate Law
- David A. Gart: Trusts and Estates
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- Eric C. Christu: Commercial Litigation
- Hank Jackson: Litigation - Intellectual Property
- Harvey E. Oyer III: Land Use and Zoning Law; Real Estate Law
- James A. Farrell: Health Care Law
- Matthew Chait: Commercial Litigation
- Patricia A. Leonard: Commercial Litigation; Litigation - Banking and Finance
- Steven M. Greenberg: Copyright Law; Litigation - Intellectual Property; Patent Law; Trademark Law
  - Lawyer of the Year: Litigation – Intellectual Property
- Steven R. Parson: Real Estate Law

About Shutts & Bowen LLP

Shutts & Bowen, established in 1910, is a full-service law firm with approximately 300 lawyers in offices in Ft. Lauderdale, Jacksonville, Miami, Orlando, Sarasota, Tallahassee, Tampa, and West Palm Beach. Learn more about Shutts & Bowen at www.shutts.com.

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**Practice Areas**

Corporate
Creditors' Rights and Bankruptcy
Insurance
Intellectual Property
Labor and Employment
Land Use & Zoning
Litigation
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Real Estate

White Collar Criminal Defense & Governmental Investigations