

## More Than 120 Squire Sanders Lawyers Named in *The Best Lawyers in America*

### Five Squire Sanders Lawyers Tapped for New "Best Lawyer of the Year" Designation

**(Nov. 7, 2008)** – Five lawyers with global law firm Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P. have been named lawyers of the year in their respective practices and regions by legal directory *The Best Lawyers in America*.

*Best Lawyers*, which publishes an annual listing of top lawyers, this year evaluated lawyers practicing in certain large legal communities and in selected legal specialties to identify those lawyers whose peers hold them in particularly high regard.

The Squire Sanders lawyers tapped for "Lawyer of the Year" designation are Guy F. Guinn, banking law, Cleveland and New York; Richard R. Murphey Jr., corporate law, Columbus; Lewis F. Murphy, "bet-the-company" litigation, Miami; Stephen J. Mitchell, real estate law, Tampa; and Thomas R. McGuigan, corporate law, West Palm Beach.

The recently published 2009 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America* also named more than 120 Squire Sanders lawyers. The firm's public finance practice received top national ranking, and lawyers in all of the firm's US-based offices were noted for their work in more than 30 practice areas.

*The Best Lawyers in America* also gave top statewide ranking to the corporate practices in Arizona and Ohio; the environmental health and safety practice in Ohio; the international dispute resolution and non-US litigation practice in Florida; the labor and employment practice in Ohio; the public finance practice in Arizona, New York and Ohio; and the tax practice in Ohio.

Squire Sanders lawyers listed according to practice in *The Best Lawyers of America* include:

#### **Antitrust, Competition, Trade & Regulatory**

Shanker A. Singham, Washington DC – International Trade and Finance Law

#### **Bankruptcy & Restructuring**

Craig D. Hansen, Phoenix – Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights Law

Jordan A. Kroop, Phoenix – Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights Law

Stephen D. Lerner, Cincinnati and New York – Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights Law

Jeffrey A. Marks, Cincinnati – Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights Law

G. Christopher Meyer, Cleveland – Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights Law

Thomas J. Salerno, Phoenix – Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights Law

## **Corporate Transactions, Finance & Governance**

*The Best Lawyers in America* gave top ranking to the firm's corporate and mergers and acquisitions practices in Arizona and Ohio. Individual lawyers noted include:

Daniel G. Berick, Cleveland – Corporate Law, Leveraged Buyouts and Private Equity Law, Mergers & Acquisitions Law, Securities Law

Carolyn J. Buller, Cleveland – Corporate Law

Joseph M. Crabb, Phoenix – Corporate Law, Mergers & Acquisitions Law

Barry G. Craig, Miami – Corporate Law

Patrick J. Dugan, Columbus and Cleveland – Banking Law, Corporate Law, Mergers & Acquisitions Law

Christopher D. Johnson, Phoenix – Corporate Law, Securities Law

Mary Ann Jorgenson, Cleveland – Corporate Law, Mergers & Acquisitions Law

Gordon S. Kaiser, Jr., Cleveland – Corporate Law, Mergers & Acquisitions Law

Daniel M. Maher, Columbus – Corporate Law

Thomas R. McGuigan, West Palm Beach – Corporate Law

James E. Morgan III, Miami – Banking Law, Corporate Law

Richard R. Murphey Jr., Columbus – Corporate Law

Frank M. Placenti, Phoenix – Corporate Governance and Compliance Law, Mergers & Acquisitions Law, Securities Law

Joseph P. Richardson, Phoenix – Corporate Governance and Compliance Law, Corporate Law, Mergers & Acquisitions Law, Securities Law

Richard W. Rubenstein, Columbus – Corporate Law, Real Estate Law

Fred A. Summer, Columbus – Mergers & Acquisitions Law

Nicholas Unkovic, Palo Alto and San Francisco – Corporate Law

Robert B. Webb III, Tysons Corner – Corporate Law

David A. Zagore, Cleveland – Corporate Law, Mergers & Acquisitions Law

## **Energy & Utilities**

Charles A. Guyton, Tallahassee – Energy Law

## **Environmental, Health & Safety**

*The Best Lawyers in America* gave top ranking to the firm's environmental practice in Ohio. Individual lawyers noted include:

Geoffrey K. Barnes, Cleveland – Environmental Law

David W. Burchmore, Cleveland – Environmental Law

J. Van Carson, Cleveland – Environmental Law

Wendlene M. Lavey, Cleveland – Environmental Law

Douglas A. McWilliams, Cleveland – Environmental Law

Kenneth C. Moore, Cleveland – Environmental Law

Craig A. Sturtz, Columbus – Environmental Law

Christopher D. Thomas, Phoenix – Environmental Law

Karen A. Winters, Columbus – Environmental Law

## **Financial Services**

James J. Barresi, Cincinnati – Banking Law

Guy F. Guinn, Cleveland and New York – Banking Law

Osborne Mills Jr., Cleveland – Banking Law

JoEllen M. Minchak, Cleveland – Banking Law

Gary P. Timin, Tallahassee – Insurance Law

## **Health Care**

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David W. Grauer, Columbus – Health Care Law  
John M. Kirsner, Columbus – Health Care Law, Insurance Law

### **International Dispute Resolution & Non-US Litigation**

*The Best Lawyers in America* gave top ranking to the firm's international dispute resolution and non-US litigation practice in Florida. Individual lawyers noted include:

Pedro J. Martinez-Fraga, Miami – Commercial Litigation, International Arbitration  
C. Ryan Reetz, Miami – Commercial Litigation, International Arbitration

### **Labor & Employment**

*The Best Lawyers in America* gave top ranking to the firm's education practice in Ohio. Individual lawyers noted include:

D. Lewis Clark Jr., Phoenix, Columbus and New York – Labor and Employment Law  
Susan M. DiMichele, Columbus – Education Law, Labor and Employment Law  
Susan C. Hastings, Cleveland – Education Law, Labor and Employment Law  
W. Michael Hanna, Cleveland – Education Law, Labor and Employment Law, Workers' Compensation Law  
David J. Millstone, Cleveland – Education Law, Labor and Employment Law  
William A. Nolan, Columbus – Education Law, Labor and Employment Law  
Timothy J. Sheeran, Cleveland – Education Law, Labor and Employment Law  
Jeffrey Wedel, Cleveland – Workers' Compensation Law

### **Litigation**

David W. Alexander, Columbus – Commercial Litigation  
James H. (Jake) Broderick Jr., Los Angeles – Commercial Litigation  
Donald T. Bucklin, Washington DC – Commercial Litigation, White-Collar Criminal Defense  
Howard J. C. Nicols, New York and Cleveland – Commercial Litigation  
Charles F. Clarke, Cleveland – Personal Injury Litigation  
Philomena M. Dane, Columbus – Commercial Litigation  
Alvin B. Davis, Miami – Commercial Litigation  
Steven A. Friedman, Cleveland – Commercial Litigation, Construction Law  
John R. Gall, Columbus – Commercial Litigation  
Richard S. Gurbst, Cleveland – Commercial Litigation  
Thomas S. Kilbane, Cleveland – Alternative Dispute Resolution, Commercial Litigation  
Peter M. Kramer, Miami – Commercial Litigation  
Patricia E. Lowry, West Palm Beach – Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Labor and Employment Law, Mass Tort Litigation, Product Liability Litigation  
Damond R. Mace, Cleveland – Commercial Litigation, Product Liability Litigation  
Lewis F. Murphy, Miami – Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Insurance Law, Securities Law  
Frederick R. Nance, Cleveland – Commercial Litigation, Securities Law, Sports Law  
Rebekah J. Poston, Miami – Non-White-Collar Criminal Defense, White-Collar Criminal Defense  
Mark J. Ruehlmann, Cincinnati and New York – Commercial Litigation  
James D. Thomas, Miami and Cleveland – Commercial Litigation  
Robin G. Weaver, Cleveland – Commercial Litigation, Personal Injury Litigation, Product Liability Litigation  
David C. Weiner, Cleveland – Commercial Litigation  
C. Craig Woods, Columbus – Commercial Litigation

## **Maritime**

Juan A. Anduiza, New York – Maritime Law  
Douglas R. Burnett, New York – Maritime Law  
Brian D. Starer, New York – Maritime Law

## **Public Finance**

*The Best Lawyers in America* gave top ranking to the firm's public finance practice nationally and in Arizona, New York and Ohio. Individual lawyers noted include:

Jeffrey A. Bomberger, Cleveland – Public Finance Law  
Jackson B. Browning Jr., New York – Public Finance Law  
Albert A. del Castillo, Miami – Public Finance Law  
Ernie K. Demanelis, Cleveland – Public Finance Law  
Christopher J. Franzmann, Columbus – Public Finance Law  
D. Bruce Gabriel, Cleveland – Public Finance Law  
David S. Goodman, Cleveland – Public Finance Law  
Pamela I. Hanover, Cleveland – Public Finance Law  
Barbara L. Hawley, Cleveland – Public Finance Law  
John C. Henry, Washington DC – Public Finance Law  
Charles E. James Jr., Phoenix – Public Finance Law  
F. Barry Keefe, Cleveland – Public Finance Law  
Robert Labes, Cleveland – Public Finance Law  
Alexandra M. MacLennan, Tampa – Public Finance Law  
Richard Manoloff, Cleveland – Public Finance Law  
Robert L. Matia, Phoenix – Banking Law, Public Finance Law  
Timothy E. Pickrell, Phoenix – Corporate Law, Public Finance Law  
Luis Reiter, Miami – Public Finance Law  
Alex Shumate, Columbus – Administrative Law, Corporate Law, Government Relations Law  
Edward S. Sinick, New York – Public Finance Law  
Gregory W. Stype, Columbus – Corporate Law, Public Finance Law, Securities Law

## **Real Estate**

Jeffrey Drew Butt, Tampa and West Palm Beach – Real Estate Law  
Lynn M. Gattozzi, Cleveland – Real Estate Law  
David W. Kreutzberg, Phoenix – Real Estate Law  
K. David Lindner, Phoenix – Real Estate Law  
Stephen J. Mitchell, Tampa – Real Estate Law  
Samuel S. Pearlman, Cleveland – Real Estate Law  
Michael D. Saad, Columbus – Real Estate Law  
Norman C. Storey, Phoenix – Corporate Law, Real Estate Law  
Terence L. Thomas, Cleveland – Real Estate Law

## **Tax & Benefits**

*The Best Lawyers in America* gave top ranking to the firm's tax practice in Ohio. Individual lawyers noted include:

Carol F. Dakin, Cleveland – Employee Benefits Law  
Alan S. Doris, Cleveland – Tax Law  
Carl A. Draucker, Cleveland – Employee Benefits Law  
Joseph D. Edwards, Tampa – Employee Benefits Law  
Robert J. Eidnier, Cleveland – Tax Law  
Michael G. Meissner, Cleveland – Tax Law  
Steven F. Mount, Columbus – Tax Law

James P. Oliver, Cleveland – Trusts and Estates  
Terrence G. Perris, Cleveland – Tax Law  
John F. Shelley, Cleveland – Trusts and Estates  
Fredric L. Smith, Columbus – Tax Law  
Mitchell S. Thompson, Cleveland – Tax Law  
Gregory J. Viviani, Cleveland – Employee Benefits Law  
Lee A. Wendel, Columbus – Tax Law, Trusts and Estates

**About Squire Sanders:** Founded in 1890, Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P. ([www.ssd.com](http://www.ssd.com)) has lawyers in 32 offices and 15 countries around the world. With one of the strongest integrated global platforms and a longstanding one-firm philosophy, Squire Sanders provides sophisticated seamless legal counsel worldwide. Offices in the Americas are located in Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Houston, Los Angeles, Miami, New York, Palo Alto, Phoenix, San Francisco, Tallahassee, Tampa, Tysons Corner, Washington DC, West Palm Beach, Caracas, Rio de Janeiro, Santo Domingo and São Paulo. In Europe, offices are in Bratislava, Brussels, Budapest, Frankfurt, Kyiv, London, Moscow, Prague and Warsaw. In Asia, offices are in Beijing, Hong Kong, Shanghai and Tokyo. Associated firms are in Bucharest, Buenos Aires, Dublin and Santiago.

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