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Joseph A. Power, Jr. is the founding partner of the Power, Rogers & Smith, LLP law firm in Chicago, and a prominent trial lawyer focusing on cases involving medical malpractice, trucking collisions, wrongful death, product liability and catastrophic personal injuries.

Power received his undergraduate degree from the University of Notre Dame in 1974 and began his legal career with John D. Hayes and Associates, Ltd. after obtaining his Juris Doctor degree from Loyola University of Chicago in 1977. Power was named as partner in 1984 and the firm became Hayes & Power. In 1993, the firm became Power, Rogers & Smith.

At the age of 28, Power became the youngest lawyer in the country to obtain a jury verdict in excess of \$1 million for his client. Power was the lead attorney in a trucking case which led to seventy-six criminal convictions, including the former governor of Illinois in the "licenses for bribes" scandal, which triggered the retesting of over 2000 truck drivers. Power prides himself of never having lost a medical malpractice case at trial. He has obtained over 200 verdicts and settlements over \$1,000,000. He has the largest jury verdict in Illinois history for a contested liability personal injury case, and in addition, has the largest medical malpractice jury verdict in Illinois history. In the last two years alone, he has been to verdict in six cases, all leading to seven and eight million-dollar recoveries.

As a leader among personal injury lawyers, Power has been listed in the Harvard Law graduates Naifeh and Smith book, *The Best Lawyers in America*, every year since 1987. *The National Law Journal* recognized him as one of the top ten litigators in the United States and he has been listed in *Who's Who in the World*, *Who's Who in America* and *Who's Who in American Law*.

Additionally, Power has been repeatedly selected as one of the top lawyers by LawDragon, a group which selects the top 500 lawyers in the country. He has been named a top personal injury and consumer lawyer based upon polling of fellow lawyers in the *Leading Lawyer Magazine* since 2009 and is one of *Super Lawyers Magazine's* top ten lawyers in Illinois. He has consistently been named in *Chicago Lawyer Magazine*, including the "30 Tough Lawyers" where he was named one of the 30 toughest lawyers in all fields in Chicago. Those listed are, according to the magazine, attorneys you want "for you, not against you."

Power is involved in many professional organizations. He is currently President of the Inner Circle of Advocates which is an organization consisting of the top 100 Plaintiff Trial Lawyers in the country, and Past President of the Illinois Trial Lawyers Association, Public Justice, Celtic Legal Society and ABOTA (Illinois Chapter). He is a fellow with the International Academy of Trial Lawyers as well as the American College of Trial Lawyers. He is also a member of the Irish Legal 100, the Chicago Bar Association, the Illinois State Bar Association and the American Bar Association. Power was appointed to the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee, Chairman's Advisory Council in 1994, and was Chairman of the Illinois Supreme Court Rules Committee from 1995-2003. Due to his professional expertise, Mr. Power has been honored in such publications as *Who's Who in America*, *Who's Who in American Law*, *Who's Who in the World* and *Who's Who of emerging Leaders in America*.

He has been recognized by several organizations for his work as a trial lawyer. Power was awarded "Protector of the Working Man" by the Illinois State Crime Commission, "Citizen of the Year" by the City Club of Chicago and "Board Member of the Year" by the Little City Foundation. Additionally, he was awarded the Civil Justice Foundation's Special Commendation Award for his thoroughness, tenacity and courage in uncovering and disclosing the "license for bribes" scandal. He received the Medal of Merit and Distinguished Award for Excellence from the Illinois State Bar Association and the Medal of Excellence by the Loyola University of Chicago School of Law. He was awarded the Tribute for Leadership on behalf of social justice and progressive change by US Action and US Action Education Fund. Recently, Joe Power was awarded the prestigious *Leonard Ring Award* which is awarded to someone who has devoted, as Leonard Ring did, a substantial part of their life and their practice to the Illinois Trial Lawyers, someone who has done more than is called for, and to someone who has the standards, work ethic and commitment to the Illinois Trial Lawyers that Leonard had.

Active in many charitable organizations, Power, his wife Susan and/or the Power Family Foundation regularly contribute to Leo High School, the University of Notre Dame, Loyola University of Chicago School of Law, the Greater Chicago Food Depository, the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago, Misericordia, Catholic Charities, Mercy Home for Boys and Girls, Free Spirit Media, Big Shoulders, the Chicago Police Memorial Foundation, St. Gabriel's Grammar School, St. Clement Church and DePaul University.

Power is married to Susan Power and they have four sons and three grandchildren. He and his wife live in Chicago.



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Dan Mordarski worked for a commercial litigation law firm for 12 years and represented some of the largest international companies. In 2006, he resigned as a partner and started his own firm. Mordarski represents plaintiffs and defendants in civil litigation matters including wrongful death, serious personal injury, sexual abuse, civil rights, employment, legal malpractice, medical malpractice, product liability and all types of commercial litigation. His practice also includes attorney ethics and expert witness assistance in legal malpractice and attorney fee matters. As a result of his extensive experience with complex litigation as well as his record of successfully trying cases for both defendants and plaintiffs, Mordarski has become a top choice mediator to resolve sophisticated, complex and high value claims. He also lectures on civil litigation matters, attorney ethics and professionalism. Mordarski has appeared on the *Today Show*, *Anderson Cooper*, *Dr. Drew* and other local television and radio programs.



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Renée K. Gucciardo has always been passionate about families and their legal needs, so 17 years ago she founded The Gucciardo Law Firm to guide families through the emotional and legal difficulties of divorce. "We understand how important trust is when a client places the lives of themselves and their families in our hands," Gucciardo says.

Included on this year's list of Super Lawyers, Renée understands that open and honest communication is key to a successful attorney-client relationship. "We ensure that we are compassionate about the overwhelming stress that clients may experience during a divorce," she says.

The Gucciardo Law Firm provides trial and appellate court representation in family law, throughout Oakland, Macomb and Wayne counties.



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Richard heads the Real Estate Practice Group at Dinsmore & Shohl. Having initially worked for a regional development company, he gained invaluable experience upon which to build a comprehensive legal practice focused on acquisition and dispositions, land use and zoning, condemnation, leasing, property valuation and management. Being an active member of ICSC and ULI, his clients include developers, landlords, investors, manufacturers and other corporate operators, and his projects include shopping centers, office towers, apartments, senior housing, service facilities in mixed use, urban in-fill and suburban settings. Also, he utilizes economic incentives such as tax increment financing, public/private joint ventures and other innovative financing and ownership structures.

He is adept at navigating not just the legal, but also administrative and legislative processes, providing practical insights and assisting clients to efficiently achieve their goals. He has been commended by Best Lawyers® and was named "Lawyer of the Year" in Cincinnati for Land Use and Zoning law in 2016. He has also been recognized by Ohio Super Lawyers® and Peer Review Rated AV in Martindale-Hubbell.


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Jed Stone is a past president of the Illinois Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers and former chair of the Illinois Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty. He has held a faculty appointment at Lake Forest College where he taught courses in criminal law and procedure. Stone was recently inducted in the NAACP Civil Rights Hall of Fame in Lake County, Illinois Chicago-Kent College of Law awarded Stone the Abraham Lincoln Marovitz Public Interest Law Award in 2008.

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Stephen Scallan practices in Chicago, IL. He handles high stakes commercial litigation in federal and state courts, including complex shareholder disputes, fraud claims, RICO actions, breach of contract cases, professional liability matters, director and officer liability lawsuits, and fraudulent transfer claims. His firm client base is comprised of successful entrepreneurs, business owners and professionals who demand and require high level legal representation.

Mr. Scallan also handles significant white-collar criminal cases, including jury trials, appeals and investigations. He has represented doctors, lawyers, accountants, brokers and other professionals accused of wrongdoing.

Mr. Scallan has worked on over thirty appeals from federal and state court judgments in criminal and civil cases.

Stephen graduated from Northwestern University in 1992 and Notre Dame Law School in 1995. He has been practicing law in Illinois since 1995. He has been admitted to the Northern District of Illinois's Trial Bar and the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit since 2002.

He has been designated an AV Preeminent Lawyer by Martindale Hubbell for the last several years. He has been designated an Illinois Super Lawyer in 2018 and 2019. He has been included in the Irish Legal 100 every year since 2015.

He is a life-long Chicago area resident and enjoys spending time with his family, running, and playing tennis. He served on the Chicago Bar Association's Judicial Evaluation Committee during 2017 and 2018.

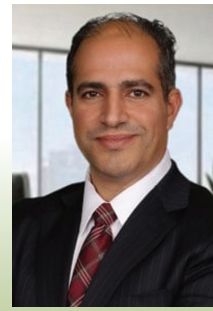
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Mr. Fakhoury has received multiple recognitions such as being named as a Fellow of the American Bar Association, a 2018 Leading Lawyer and Equity Member of the Alliance Business Immigration Lawyers, a Global Immigration Thought Leader by Who's Who Legal, Super Lawyers 2018, and a Global Detroit Champion Award in 2016. FGI has been honored as an AV ranked firm with Martindale-Hubbell, a U.S. News and World Report Best Law Firm for 2016 and 2017, and Corporate NTL's Global Immigration Law Firm of the Year for Excellence. These awards attest to Mr. Fakhoury's outstanding legal thinking, his high ethical standards, and the excellent results his firm produces for its clients. His thought leadership is further demonstrated by his authoring and editing of five immigration law books, his regular contributions to news sources, and his sought-after advice on immigration policy reform.


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A graduate of the IU McKinney School of Law, she is a business major and former managing partner who has put her business knowledge to work for her clients. She has been recognized by Best Lawyers (2009-2019) in the areas of Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Banking and Finance, Mass Tort Litigation/Class Actions - Defendants. Patricia has been selected as a 2019 Top Rated Lawyer in The National Law Journal. She has been named an Indiana Super Lawyer (2004-2019), and 2014-15 Indianapolis Mass Tort Litigation/Class Action Defendant's "Lawyer of the Year", one of the top 25 women lawyers in Indiana (2006, 2007) by Super Lawyer magazine, and one of the most influential women in Indianapolis by the Indianapolis Business Journal. She is also the sole member of Mediation Roundtable, LLC. Patricia holds an AV Preeminent Rating.


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Amy M. McKinlay has more than two decades of experience practicing solely in the field of domestic relations/family law, having been admitted to the practice of law in the State of Ohio in 1996 and to the United States District Court, Southern District of Ohio, in 1997.

Since 2007, Amy has been certified by the Ohio State Bar Association as a Board Certified Specialist in Family Relations Law. She has also attained the Martindale-Hubbell AV rating.

In addition, Ms. McKinlay was named by Law and Politics as an Ohio Super Lawyer "Rising Star" six times between 2005 and 2011, a designation bestowed upon the top "up-and-coming" attorneys in Ohio. For the past five years, Amy has been designed as an Ohio Super Lawyer (a group comprised of only approximately 5% of the total number of attorneys in Ohio).

Since 2015, Amy has owned and operated her own, private practice, with the goal of delivering effective and efficient family law solutions, utilizing an experienced in-house support staff, as well as an exceptional network of outside experts, including forensic accountants; vocational experts; pension evaluators; business valuation experts; and mental health professionals.

Ms. McKinlay has also lectured on a number of family law-related topics, including discovery procedure, settlement strategy, and valuation and division of complex assets.



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Andy has extensive experience in opposing union organizing campaigns, union decertification, negotiating labor agreements and arbitrating contract grievances. He negotiates numerous collective bargaining agreements every year, advises clients on labor relations issues on a day-to-day basis and arbitrates several cases each year.

Andy has also counseled many clients on the complicated issues relating to pension withdrawal liability and the Central States Pension Fund. The Labor Relations Institute has repeatedly named Andy one of the Top 100 Labor Attorneys in America.



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