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Paul Pedigo provides comprehensive IP strategies and solutions to help move his clients closer to their goals. Whether researching and writing a successful patent application, or providing counsel on how best to position IP for maximum profitability, Paul eliminates obstacles and mitigates risk to clear a path for each client's success.

A Chattanooga native, Paul attended Vanderbilt University, earning undergraduate degrees in English and Chemical Engineering. He obtained his J.D. from Loyola University of Chicago, and then studied in the LLM Intellectual Property Law program at John Marshall.

As managing partner of Pedigo Law Firm, Paul builds upon his distinguished background in IP Law. His resume includes stints at top-tier firms in Chicago and Charlotte, including Leydig, Voit & Mayer; partner at Bell, Seltzer, Park & Gibson, and Alston & Bird.

Paul has managed IP portfolios in over 70 countries and written significant patents. One relates to a blockbuster drug used in the treatment of liver disease. His expertise extends to pharmaceuticals, medical devices, chemicals, optics, life sciences, biotech, packaging, complex machinery, and engineering.



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GREGORY A. LOMAX

Gregory A. Lomax is a seasoned and accomplished trial and appellate lawyer with 30 years' experience in representing clients in a variety of business disputes, with a special focus on intracompany disputes involving business divorces, owner derivative claims, claims of shareholder oppression and fraud, and fiduciary duty matters. Greg also represents clients in a variety of other business-related litigation matters, including intellectual property claims, restrictive covenant and other matters involving claims for injunctive relief, contract disputes, commercial landlord/tenant matters and other real estate disputes, as well as class action matters.

While Greg is experienced in a full range of complex commercial litigation matters, Greg is widely recognized as one of the top business divorce lawyers in New Jersey, having successfully tried to verdict many significant multi-million dollar closely-held intracompany disputes throughout his career. In doing so, Greg has assembled a formidable trial team of highly accomplished lawyers and former judicial law clerks who have significant experience in complex business disputes who enable Greg's firm, Lauletta Birnbaum, to compete favorably with much larger law firms in terms of expertise, fee flexibility and cost. Lauletta Birnbaum is a boutique firm that is primarily made up of Big Law trained lawyers who left big firms to provide their clients the same topnotch legal services, but without the enormous overhead and costs endemic at those larger firms.

Greg is admitted in the state and federal courts of New Jersey and Pennsylvania, as well as the United States Court of Appeals in and for the Third Circuit. Greg has been rated AV-Preeminent from Martindale Hubbell since 2003. Greg has been selected in the *New Jersey Monthly* magazine, *Super Lawyers* edition, as a New Jersey -Super Lawyer for 2005-2009 and 2011-2017.



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Chris Balch has more than 25 years of experience bridging gaps and building consensus so local government leaders can navigate complex legal matters, encourage economic development, and foster community investment. A veteran of the United States Marine Corps, where he was awarded the Navy Achievement Medal and the Good Conduct Medal, Chris brings the skills, discipline, and mission focus he learned to the challenges and opportunities your community faces. Chris is a graduate of the University of Tennessee and Mercer University Law School. He clerked for United States District Judge Duross Fitzpatrick in the Middle District of Georgia for 2 years before entering private practice. He moved to Atlanta in 1996.



He is also an acknowledged and sought-after expert and speaker at programs for local government lawyers across the Country. His legal scholarship regularly appears in newsletters and professional journals. He is the only International Municipal Lawyers Association (IMLA) Local Government Fellow in Georgia. A member of the Defense Research Institute since 1996, he currently serves as the Publications Chair for the Governmental Liability Committee.

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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, 2019, and 2020. 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.

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When a lawyer needs a lawyer, David A. Lewis is the one to call. In matters of legal ethics and professional responsibility, David provides individual lawyers, their law firms and corporate law departments with practical advice focused on his client's real-world business goals and full legal compliance.

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Over the years, David has proudly helped hundreds of prospective New York bar admission candidates to successfully navigate the admissions process and properly address highly sensitive character and fitness matters.

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BLAIR R. ZWILLMAN, has been practicing all aspects of Criminal Defense, including Federal, State, Municipal and White Collar defense for 45 years. He is a cum laude graduate of New England Law at Boston. He was a prosecutor with the trial and appellate sections of the New Jersey Attorney General's Office, Division of Criminal Justice, prior to entering the private practice of law.

Mr. Zwillman has tried in excess of 75 criminal jury trials to verdict. He has been certified by the New Jersey Supreme Court as a criminal trial attorney since 1983. Mr. Zwillman handles all types of criminal cases in New Jersey, New York and Federal Courts throughout the United States.

In addition to the Martindale AV Preeminent rating, Mr. Zwillman has been recognized as a leading attorney in Criminal Defense and White Collar defense by a number of peer-reviewed organizations including *Best Lawyers* and *Super Lawyers*.

Mr. Zwillman is a former Chair of the Essex County VB Ethics Committee. He has also served as President of the Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers of New Jersey, a highly regarded specialty bar organization.

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A preeminent Entertainment, Criminal Defense, and Hospitality lawyer, Darryl Cohen either does it right or not at all. He simply makes it happen. Darryl has a Martindale-Hubbell AV rating, has been named a Super Lawyer and Georgia Legal Elite, and has been designated a Legal Legend from the Fulton County Daily Report. Darryl believes the word no is spelled know.

His current A-list, on camera personalities include Meteorologists Jim Cantore and Jen Carfagno from TWC, David Chandley of Fox 5, and Fox 5 evening news anchor, Tom Haynes. Darryl has vast experience representing production companies, talent agencies, individual talent, and working with reality/non-scripted television shows.

A former Assistant State Attorney in Dade County, Florida and Assistant District Attorney in Fulton County, Georgia, Darryl brings incredible expertise, savvy, and finesse to every criminal case he takes. From Axl Rose, Lisa Lopes, and Kid Rock to the last living member of Lynyrd Skynyrd, Darryl's success rate is unparalleled.

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