

NEWS RELEASES

Barnes & Thornburg LLP Receives 87 First-Tier Rankings In U.S. News And Best Lawyers' 2014 "Best Law Firms" Survey

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Barnes & Thornburg LLP received 87 first-tier rankings in the 2014 U.S. News Media Group (*U.S. News*) and *Best Lawyers* annual "Best Law Firm" rankings, which were announced today. Barnes & Thornburg ranks as a national "Tier 1 Best Law Firm" in five practice areas nationally – employment law-management, labor law-management, environmental litigation, patent law and trademark law – and as first-tier in 82 practice areas in several of its local markets. Barnes & Thornburg rankings are as follows:

NATIONAL TIER 1

- Employment Law Management
- Labor Law Management
- Litigation Environmental
- Patent Law
- Trademark Law

METROPOLITAN TIER 1

Chicago

- Environmental Law
- Litigation Environmental
- Litigation Intellectual Property
- Patent Law
- Trademark Law

Columbus, Ohio

- · Administrative / Regulatory Law
- Government Relations Practice

Fort Wayne

RELATED PRACTICE AREAS

Emerging Companies and Venture Capital Employment Intellectual Property

RELATED INDUSTRIES

Energy and Utilities Government Services Telecommunications

- Commercial Litigation
- Employment Law Management
- Labor Law Management
- Litigation Labor & Employment
- Litigation Patent
- Tax Law

Grand Rapids

- Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- Corporate Law
- Employment Law Management
- Environmental Law
- Labor Law Management
- Litigation Bankruptcy
- Litigation Environmental
- Litigation Intellectual Property
- · Litigation Patent
- Patent Law

Indianapolis

- Antitrust Law
- Appellate Practice
- Banking and Finance Law
- Commercial Litigation
- Communications Law
- Copyright Law
- Corporate Law
- Criminal Defense: White-Collar Governmental Investigations
- Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law
- Employment Law Management
- Energy Law

- Environmental Law
- Gaming Law
- Government Relations Practice
- Information Technology Law
- Insurance Law
- Labor Law Management
- Litigation Construction
- Litigation Environmental
- Litigation ERISA
- Litigation First Amendment
- Litigation Intellectual Property
- Litigation Labor & Employment
- Litigation Mergers & Acquisitions
- Litigation Patent
- Litigation Real Estate
- Litigation Securities
- Litigation Tax
- Litigation Trusts & Estates
- Mergers & Acquisitions Law
- Municipal Law
- Patent Law
- Personal Injury Litigation Defendants
- Product Liability Litigation Defendants
- Public Finance Law
- Real Estate Law
- Securities / Capital Markets Law
- Securities Regulation
- Tax Law
- Trademark Law
- Trusts & Estates Law
- Venture Capital Law

Los Angeles

- Employment Law Management
- Labor Law Union

South Bend

- Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- Commercial Litigation
- Corporate Law
- Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law
- Employment Law Management
- Government Relations Practice
- Labor Law Management
- Labor Law Union
- Litigation Construction
- Litigation Labor & Employment
- Product Liability Litigation Defendants
- Public Finance Law
- Real Estate Law
- Tax Law
- Trusts & Estates Law

The *U.S. News/Best Lawyers* "Best Law Firm" rankings provide a comprehensive view of the U.S. legal industry that is unparalleled in the range of firms represented and in the qualitative and quantitative data used to develop the rankings. The Law Firm of the Year distinction is based on a combination of high performance client surveys and responses to national surveys by attorneys in the same practice areas in other firms.

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