CHAMBERS & PARTNERS

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America's Leading Lawyers for Business

# 2014 The Client's Guide

# is ranked in Chambers USA 2014 as follows: NATIONWIDE

# **ADVERTISING**

Advertising: Transactional & Regulatory	
Leading Firms	
Band 3	
Reed Smith LLP	
Leading Individuals	
Band 1	
Wood Douglas J Reed Smith LLP	

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

What the team is known for Global advertising practice with an impressive client base. Provides general counseling to the top trading associations in the industry.

Work highlights Exclusively handled negotiations on behalf of the advertising industry in relation to actors' appearances in both radio and television performances and internet promotions.

#### Notable practitioners

Douglas Wood is recognized by peers for his multimillion-dollar successes. He offers a tremendous amount of experience in the media and entertainment arenas and the advertising space.

Significant clients adidas, The Martin Agency, Prudential, RocketHub, Talent Partners.

# **ENERGY & NATURAL RESOURCES**

#### Energy: Electricity (Regulatory & Litigation) Leading Individuals Band 4 Yuffee Michael Reed Smith LLP

### **Reed Smith LLP**

Michael Yuffee is noted for his expertise in FERC and CFTC matters, with sources particularly highlighting his experience when it comes to representing clients

facing regulatory enforcement actions. "He is creative and has stellar credibility with key people at the *commission*," reports one impressed interviewee.

## FRANCHISING Mainly Franchisee

Franchising: Mainly Franchisee Leading Individuals	Reed Sm Diane Gre
Band 2	lawyer wh
Green-Kelly Diane Reed Smith LLP	distributio
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#### nith LLP

een-Kelly of Reed Smith LLP is a regulatory hose practice also includes franchise and on work. Sources speak of her broad litigation and trial experience.

## **GOVERNMENT** Government Contracts

Government: Government Contracts Leading Individuals	
Band 4	
Campos Lorraine Reed Smith LLP	

# **HEALTHCARE**

Healthcare
Leading Firms
Band 3
Reed Smith LLP

Healthcare: Regulatory & Leading Individuals	& Litigation
Band 1	
Carder-Thompson Elizabeth	Reed Smith LLP

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

At Reed Smith LLP, practice group leader Lorraine Campos has extensive experience in advising on government grants and regulations. One impressed client notes her skill in distilling complex information.

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

What the team is known for Highly regarded for assisting post-acute hospitals, nursing home facilities and other healthcare providers. Deep expertise in fraud and abuse matters, regulatory issues, litigation and transactional work.

Work highlights Acted for MedCath with regard to a False Claims Act investigation conducted on a nationwide basis.

#### Notable practitioners

Elizabeth Carder-Thompson is held in high esteem by clients as an expert in Medicare and Medicaid coverage and reimbursement, enforcement matters and fraud and abuse issues. She represents a number of healthcare clients including hospitals and manufacturers of medical devices and pharmaceuticals.

Significant clients Anthem Blue Cross, Life Care Centers of America, American Health Care Association, Johnson & Johnson, Astellas Pharma US.

# **INSURANCE** Dispute Resolution: Policyholder

Insurance: Dispute Resolution: Policyholder
Leading Firms
Band 2
Reed Smith LLP
Leading Individuals
Band 1
Vishneski John S Reed Smith LLP
Band 2
Halbreich David M Reed Smith LLP
Shugrue John Reed Smith LLP

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

What the team is known for Genuinely nationwide presence with insurance policyholder capabilities on both coasts and in the Midwest. Notable for its skill in claims related to financial industry disputes, asbestosrelated bankruptcies, natural disasters and mass torts. Work highlights Represented Anadarko on insurance coverage issues resulting from the Macondo Well oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico.

#### Notable practitioners

John Vishneski is skilled in claims involving toxic torts, business interruption and the environment. Peers note his impressive success rate on behalf of

clients. David Halbreich is based in Los Angeles and appears in significant recovery actions in California and across the country. He is experienced in claims involving real estate, oil and gas, financial services and electronics. The widely respected John Shugrue represents policyholders in matters including D&O, pollution liability and product recall. One client lauds his ability to explain complex issues in understandable terms.

Significant clients Navistar, ConocoPhillips/Phillips 66, PNC Bank, Lehman Brothers, Fannie Mae.

# **LIFE SCIENCES**

Life Sciences
Leading Firms
Band 3
Reed Smith LLP
Life Sciences: Cornorate/Commercial

#### Leading Individuals Band 3 Frenier Diane M Reed Smith LLP

# **LITIGATION** Trial Lawyers

Litigation: E-Discovery Leading Individuals Band 4 Cohen David Reed Smith LLP

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

What the team is known for A group with a particularly strong corporate and transactional bent, as well as an active regulatory and compliance practice. Also offers strong litigation capabilities, and acts for an impressive client base.

**Work highlights** Represented Nuron Biotech in its acquisition of Pfizer's Meningitec business.

#### Notable practitioners

Diane Frenier is a leading figure in the transactional life science practice. She represents clients in a range of transactions on a national and international basis, including mergers, acquisitions and divestitures. Significant clients Merck, GlaxoSmithKline, Aerocrine, Dr Reddy's Laboratories, Echo Therapeutics.

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

David Cohen focuses on information governance work, with sources noting that he is well positioned for rapid development in this area. He is commended

for his knowledge of e-discovery issues and technical perspective. He heads the global e-discovery group at Reed Smith LLP.

## **PRIVACY & DATA SECURITY**

Privacy & Data Security Leading Individuals	
Band 3	
Melodia Mark S Reed Smith LLP	

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

Mark Melodia of Reed Smith LLP specializes in defending a putative of litigating business-critical class action lawsuits, allege that Blizzard particularly on behalf of financial services clients. protections to guard He recently represented Blizzard Entertainment in cyber attack in 2012.

defending a putative class action in which the plaintiffs allege that Blizzard failed to provide sufficient protections to guard against a purported criminal cyber attack in 2012.

# **PRODUCT LIABILITY & MASS TORTS**

Product Liability & Mass Torts
Leading Firms
Band 3
Reed Smith LLP
Leading Individuals
Band 1
Brown Michael K Reed Smith LLP
Band 4
Hooper John Reed Smith LLP
Scott Michael T Reed Smith LLP
Band 5
Davies Colleen T Reed Smith LLP
Scheve Stephen Reed Smith LLP

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

What the team is known for Extensive trial bench located throughout the country, active on product liability and mass tort cases spanning a number of industry sectors, such as the aviation, pharmaceutical and automotive arenas. Well regarded as coordinating counsel and as advocates in court.

Work highlights National coordinating counsel to Merck on the NuvaRing litigation, acting on cases in jurisdictions such as Missouri, New Jersey and California.

#### Notable practitioners

Michael Brown focuses on medical device and pharmaceutical products, recently acting for GlaxoSmithKline in the Avandia litigation regarding diabetes medication. His trial capabilities are particularly highlighted by commentators. John Hooper is noted for his work on the Toyota unintended acceleration litigation and also recently acted for Merck on a suit in relation to its Coppertone sunscreen product. Interviewees applaud his client service. **Michael Scott** is praised for his expertise as a trial lawyer. Recent work highlights include his involvement in the multidistrict litigation regarding the contraceptive NuvaRing for Merck. **Colleen Davies** is identified for her practice in the pharmaceuticals sector. She was recently involved in the firm's representation of American Medical Systems and Endo Pharmaceuticals in the transvaginal mesh litigation. Houston-based **Stephen Scheve** joins the firm from Baker Botts. Since his arrival, he has represented key clients in trial across the country. Notable work highlights include those in the pharmaceutical and medical device sectors.

**Significant clients** Toyota, United Airlines, Johnson Controls, Cirrus Design, Medtronic.

# TRANSPORTATION Aviation: Litigation

Transportation: Aviation: Litigation Leading Individuals		
Band 2		
Bradley Patrick E Reed Smith LLP		
Up-and-coming individuals		
Beiersdorf Oliver Reed Smith LLP		

#### Reed Smith LLP

**Oliver Beiersdorf** of Reed Smith LLP is praised by clients as a strong advocate on their behalf. His work includes representing airlines and airport operators in relation to mass torts and international treaties. **Patrick Bradley** of Reed Smith LLP is recognized for his work in the aviation industry, often on behalf of aircraft manufacturers and maintenance facilities in relation to accidents.

# **CALIFORNIA**

## **BANKING & FINANCE**

Banking & Financ Leading Individual		
Up-and-coming individuals		
Attestatova Svetlana	Reed Smith LLP	

CORPORATE/M&A

Corporate/M&A Southern California Leading Individuals
Band 4
Sanders Michael Reed Smith LLP

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

According to commentators, rising finance star Svetlana Attestatova of Reed Smith LLP has excellent attention to detail and technical expertise. She is also noted for her client service skills.

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

Michael Sanders of Reed Smith LLP is highly regarded in the biotechnology and biomedical industries, in addition to his broader M&A practice. He recently acted on Ocera Therapeutics' acquisition of Tranzyme via a reverse triangular merger.

# HEALTHCARE

Healthcare	
Leading Firms	
Band 4	
Reed Smith LLP	
Leading Individuals	
Band 4	
Peterson Kurt Reed Smith LLP	

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

What the team is known for Houses impressive expertise in healthcare litigation, drawing on strong nationwide capabilities and boasting an impressive managed care client base. Also offers experience across a range of regulatory and transactional matters. Work highlights Represented Blue Cross of California in a dispute concerning the payment obligations of certain health plans.

#### Notable practitioners

**Kurt Peterson** is lauded for his representation of clients in class actions, insurance matters and employment issues. He is recognized as an impressively experienced litigator.

Significant clients Omnicare, Select Medical Corporation, DJO Global, MidState Radiology, Abbott Vascular.

# **INSURANCE** Policyholder

Insurance: Policyholder Leading Firms
Band 2
Reed Smith LLP
Leading Individuals
Band 2
Halbreich David M Reed Smith LLP

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

What the team is known for Well-regarded policyholder firm representing major companies in a broad variety of coverage matters. Areas of particular expertise include first-party property, E&O, D&O, asbestos claims and patent infringement. Notable for its skill in complex financial mortgage insurance disputes, such as disputes arising out of the financial crisis.

Work highlights Recently acted as lead counsel for Bank of America/Countrywide in several mortgage insurance disputes involving over \$1 billion in disputed insurance claims for defaulted home loans. Notable practitioners

**David Halbreich** represents companies from a variety of industries in complex insurance coverage litigation. He is particularly skilled in claims involving subprime mortgages, asbestos and toxic torts, construction defects and product liability.

Significant clients Cemex, Homeward Residential, Quicken Loans.

# LABOR & EMPLOYMENT

Labor & Employment
Leading Firms
Band 4
Reed Smith LLP
Leading Individuals
Band 3
Husar Linda S Reed Smith LLP

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

What the team is known for Full-service platform with an emphasis on class action defense, handling disputes involving a range of issues such as overtime misclassification and meal and rest breaks. Also noted for its ability to develop longstanding client relationships.

Work highlights Obtained recovery of costs and judgment in favor of client Ralphs Grocery Company in a case involving meal and rest, wage and hour, and reimbursement allegations brought under the California Labor Code PAGA.

#### Notable practitioners

Linda Husar holds an array of specialties in her broad-based practice, including wrongful discharge, whistle-blower and class action litigation and counsel under the Unruh Civil Rights Act and the ADA. She is also credited with having excellent writing skills.

Significant clients Public Storage, Dunn-Edwards Corporation, Verizon, Shell Oil, Kaiser Foundation Health Plan.

## LIFE SCIENCES

Life Sciences: Corporate/Commercial Leading Individuals
Band 4
Sanders Michael Reed Smith LLP

# LITIGATION

Litigation: General Commercial	
Leading Firms	
Band 5	
Reed Smith LLP	

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

**Michael Sanders** of Reed Smith LLP is widely recognized for his capabilities as a transactional lawyer. He works with an extensive stable of clients in the biotechnology and biomedical fields.

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

What the team is known for Represents a diverse range of clients including pension funds, insurance companies and pharmaceutical companies. Broad litigation expertise including class actions and consumer products disputes.

Work highlights Acted for Equitrust Life Insurance in the successful defense of an annuity sales class action.

#### Notable practitioners

Lorenzo Gasparetti is a key contact for the firm's California practice.

Significant clients BNY Mellon, CR Bard, Endo Pharmaceuticals, Federated Investors, GE.

# **LITIGATION** Appellate

Litigation: Appellate Leading Firms
Band 3
Reed Smith LLP
Leading Individuals
Band 1
Grignon Margaret Reed Smith LLP
Band 4
Fogel Paul Reed Smith LLP

#### Reed Smith LLP

What the team is known for Offers specialist expertise to clients in a broad range of appellate work. Acts for both public and private entities in appeals relating to product liability, healthcare, financial services and professional negligence, among other areas.

Work highlights Defended Los Angeles County Superior Court in a challenge to its plans to consolidate 21 detainer courthouses into five hub courts around the county, as a result of significant budget cuts.

#### Notable practitioners

Margaret Grignon enjoys a strong reputation for the breadth and strength of her expertise in appellate matters. She is noted by several sources as one of the best-known names in the California market. Appellate group leader **Paul Fogel** attracts praise from sources for his strength in brief writing, and is praised for his in-depth knowledge of appellate law.

**Significant clients** ConocoPhillips, California Administrative Office of the Courts, GlaxoSmithKline, University of California, Los Altos School District.

# DELAWARE

# **BANKRUPTCY/RESTRUCTURING**

Bankruptcy/Restructuring Leading Firms
Band 3
Reed Smith LLP
Leading Individuals
Band 1
Gwynne Kurt F Reed Smith LLP
Band 4
Robinson Richard Reed Smith LLP
Up-and-coming individuals
Falgowski J Cory Reed Smith LLP

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

What the team is known for Maintains a strong reputation for its adept representation of national and international clients and extensive experience of financially distressed transactions, including credit default swaps, auction rate securities and SIVs.

**Work highlights** Acted for unsecured creditor CenturyLink in bankruptcy proceedings filed by multiple companies across the nation.

#### Notable practitioners

Sources hail **Kurt Gwynne** for his extensive bankruptcy knowledge. His litigation practice is

further strengthened by his attention to detail, keen awareness of nuance and tenacity. The wellregarded **Richard Robinson** has a broad practice representing both lenders and borrowers, and public and private parties. Particular proficiency lies in the structuring and restructuring of complex commercial transactions. **Cory Falgowski** is highlighted by peers for his level-headed demeanor. He was recently involved with work on various litigation matters for Focus Management Group USA.

Significant clients PNC Bank, GECC, TD Bank, CIT.

# **DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

# HEALTHCARE

Healthcare
Leading Firms
Band 2
Reed Smith LLP
Leading Individuals
Band 1
Carder-Thompson Elizabeth Reed Smith LLP
Band 2
Fox Thomas Reed Smith LLP
Loepere Carol Reed Smith LLP

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

What the team is known for Well known for advising healthcare providers such as surgery centers, hospitals and physician practice groups while also representing clients from the life sciences space. Deep expertise in fraud and abuse matters, reimbursement issues and government investigations. Additional strength in transactional work involving healthcare clients.

**Work highlights** Represented Life Care Centers of America in a federal False Claims Act case brought against it.

#### Notable practitioners

Elizabeth Carder-Thompson is regarded as one of the leading provider side regulatory lawyers. She advises clients on areas such as enforcement, fraud and abuse and Medicare reimbursement. Thomas Fox is heralded as a leader of the fraud and abuse Bar. He handles areas such as corporate restructuring and government investigations for clients, and is praised for his litigation capabilities. Carol Loepere possesses a wealth of knowledge in a broad spread of regulatory matters. Her expertise spans areas such as fraud and abuse and Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement. Significant clients HCR ManorCare, HealthSouth, Kindred Healthcare, Omnicare, Select Medical.

## **INSURANCE** Policyholder

Insurance: Policyholder Leading Individuals Band 2 Thompson Gary Reed Smith LLP

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

Gary Thompson of Reed Smith LLP possesses expertise in a wide range of policyholder matters, and he recently represented Morgan Stanley in a coverage dispute against Zurich.

# **ILLINOIS**

# **BANKING & FINANCE**

Banking & Finance
Leading Firms
Band 4
Reed Smith LLP
Leading Individuals
Band 4
Schaider Joel Reed Smith LLP

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

What the team is known for Looks after the needs of blue-chip borrower and lender clients in a wide variety of domestic and international transactions, including project and equipment finance, syndicated lending, mezzanine finance and LBOs. Also active in workouts and restructurings.

Work highlights Represented Wells Fargo in a \$225 million senior secured credit facility for Federal Signal.

#### Notable practitioners

**Joel Schaider** advises financial institutions in relation to a range of secured and unsecured lending, including syndicated transactions.

**Significant clients** US Bank, Bank of America, GE Capital, Wintrust Financial, PNC Bank.

## **BANKRUPTCY/RESTRUCTURING**

Bankruptcy/Restructuring Leading Individuals
Band 4
Bobo Stephen Reed Smith LLP

#### Reed Smith LLP

**Stephen Bobo** of Reed Smith LLP is praised for his easy-going manner and efficiency by commentators. He acts for both creditors and debtors in relation to bankruptcy proceedings.

# CORPORATE/M&A & PRIVATE EQUITY

Corporate/M&A & Private Equity Leading Firms
Band 5
Reed Smith LLP
Leading Individuals
Band 4
Lee Michael P Reed Smith LLP

Corporate/M&A: Private Equity Leading Individuals
Band 2
Schmarak Bradley Reed Smith LLP
Band 3
Hemming Seth M Reed Smith LLP

## INSURANCE

Insurance: Dispute Resolution
Leading Firms
Band 1
Reed Smith LLP
Leading Individuals
Band 1
Shugrue John Reed Smith LLP
Vishneski John S Reed Smith LLP
Band 2
Davis James M Reed Smith LLP
Marrinson Thomas A Reed Smith LLP
Rosenberg Carolyn Reed Smith LLP
Band 3
Nardoni Stanley C. Reed Smith LLP
Walker-Bright Paul R Reed Smith LLP

#### Reed Smith LLP

What the team is known for Well-rounded transactional practice specializing in advising businesses in the energy, life sciences and financial services industries. Strong private equity focus. Prevalent on midmarket deals.

Work highlights Advised Hub International on its \$4.4 billion sale to Hellman & Friedman.

#### Notable practitioners

**Bradley Schmarak** specializes in mergers and acquisitions, recapitalizations and equity raises and is praised by contemporaries for his attention to detail and deal management style. **Seth Hemming** is widely

recognized for his impressive intellect and is praised for his thoughtful counsel and ability to come up with attractive commercial solutions. **Michael Lee** recently advised Nelson Global Products and Petmate in acquisitions. His practice spans M&A and securities, advising businesses and investors.

Significant clients Equity Group Investments, Wind Point Partners, Jones Lang LaSalle, Clover Technologies, Heidrick & Struggles.

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

What the team is known for Policyholder firm possessing one of the largest practice groups in Illinois. Broad-based national and international practice which spans all aspects of insurance coverage law and litigation. Serves many of the world's largest companies in the financial, energy and life sciences industries.

Work highlights Recently acted for a Japanese subsidiary of Lehman Brothers, which was defrauded out of more than \$300 million in a criminal fraud scheme, on bringing an action against its insurers for coverage.

#### Notable practitioners

The esteemed **John Shugrue** is skilled in a wide variety of insurance matters, and has deep expertise of the Lloyd's and Bermuda markets. **John Vishneski** has built a reputation as an outstanding insurance trial lawyer and adviser. Clients praise his intelligence and responsiveness. **James Davis** has a wide-ranging insurance litigation practice which includes experience of product liability, D&O and first-party property

and business interruption losses. Thomas Marrinson has a multifaceted insurance and complex commercial litigation practice. He recently acted on behalf of Navistar in an asbestos insurance recovery lawsuit. Carolyn Rosenberg is a D&O specialist, and frequently advises Fortune 500 company boards on their policies. She has also recently advised Lehman Brothers Holdings on bringing an action against its insurers for coverage, regarding a criminal fraud scheme. Stanley Nardoni gains respect from the market for his broad insurance and commercial litigation practice, which includes experience in IP, D&O and professional liability claims. Paul Walker-Bright advises on insurance and litigation matters for some of the firm's biggest clients. Areas of his expertise include general liability policies, product liability and toxic torts.

**Significant clients** Tribune Co, Republic Services, Sears/K-Mart, International Game Technology.

# **LITIGATION**

Litigation: General Commercial
Leading Firms
Band 5
Reed Smith LLP

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

What the team is known for Noted for the breadth of its offering on general commercial litigation, which includes advising on professional liability, breach of contract and fiduciary duty matters. Represents clients across a range of industries, including pharmaceuticals, finance and energy.

What's new? Secured work from Shell, Exelon and Audi Financial.

**Work highlights** Advised Republic Services in a multimillion-dollar pollution liability coverage claim arising from issues related to the company's landfill site in the suburbs of Chicago.

#### Notable practitioners

Dan Hofmeister is a key contact for the firm's litigation practice.

Significant clients BNY Mellon, Endo Pharmaceuticals, General Electric, Siemens, CR Bard.

## TAX

Tax Leading Individuals
Band 3
Wynne Michael Reed Smith LLP

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

**Michael Wynne** of Reed Smith LLP is praised for his practical business sense, particularly combined with his expertise in state tax controversy.

# **NEW JERSEY**

# **CORPORATE/M&A**

Corporate/M&A
Leading Firms
Band 3
Reed Smith LLP
Leading Individuals
Band 2
Frenier Diane M Reed Smith LLP
Band 4
Yan Betty Reed Smith LLP

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

What the team is known for Has a strong life sciences focus and extensive experience in structuring international deals in countries as diverse as Sweden, China and Canada. In addition to its strengths in the state, the Princeton office also gives clients access to the firm's extensive global network.

**Work highlights** The team advised DUSA Pharmaceuticals on its merger with a subsidiary of Mumbai-based Sun Pharmaceuticals. The team also advised on related Medicare/Medicaid regulatory and antitrust issues.

#### Notable practitioners

Diane Frenier has unsurpassed skill in the life sciences arena in New Jersey and sits on the firm's executive committee. Betty Yan continues her excellent work leading a number of international deals. Clients particularly appreciate her cross-cultural fluency in matters concerning China.

**Significant clients** Novo Nordisk, Cangene, Merck & Co, Vectura Group, Terra-Gen Power.

# **NEW YORK**

## **INSURANCE**

Insurance: Dispute Resolution: Policyholder
Leading Firms
Band 2
Reed Smith LLP
Leading Individuals
Band 3
Breene Paul Evan Reed Smith LLP
Kramer Ann Reed Smith LLP

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

What the team is known for Provides deep expertise in complex coverage claims. Skilled in matters involving professional liability, product liability, asbestos and the Bermuda Form. Represents a wide range of policyholders in disputes nationally and internationally.

Work highlights Represented Forest Labs in pre-suit negotiations and as coverage counsel in a dispute with its upper-layer insurers, regarding costs sought for a shareholder class action lawsuit.

#### Notable practitioners

**Paul Evan Breene** has trial and appellate experience in a broad range of insurance claims. Clients praise his in-depth knowledge of the market. **Ann Kramer** is well versed in representing policyholders in recovery actions involving product liability, environmental, product recall and D&O liability. She is known for her skill in coverage dispute resolution, particularly for the pharmaceutical industry.

Significant clients Archer Daniels Midland, ConocoPhillips, Cumulus Media, Enbridge, First Associates.

# **NORTHERN VIRGINIA**

# **REAL ESTATE:** Northern Virginia

Real Estate: Northern Virginia
Leading Firms
Band 2
Reed Smith LLP
Leading Individuals
Band 2
Brennan James C Reed Smith LLP
Band 3
Diamond Robert Reed Smith LLP
Fagelson Karen Reed Smith LLP
Houston David S Reed Smith LLP
Tompkins Benjamin F Reed Smith LLP
Real Estate: Zoning/Land Use

Leading Individuals Band 2 Banzhaf Michael A *Reed Smith LLP* 

Tompkins Benjamin F Reed Smith LLP

#### Reed Smith LLP

What the team is known for Deep bench with significant expertise across the spectrum of commercial real estate and land use work, with an impressive statewide presence. Acts in a wide range of developments, with particular experience in residential projects. Also noted for its strength in real estate-related litigation.

Work highlights Represented Brookfield Homes in its application to rezone 110 acres of land to permit development of 158 homes, a golf course, a hotel, offices and a restaurant.

#### Notable practitioners

Michael Banzhaf centers his practice on the land use and zoning sphere, and is recognized as a formidable specialist in the area. He is noted for his depth of experience handling matters throughout the region and Loudoun County in particular. Benjamin Tompkins is widely recognized for his expertise in commercial real estate, handling a wide range of large-scale transactions, acting for clients including developers, financial institutions and investors. He bolsters his practice with significant experience in

land use and zoning work. James Brennan focuses on commercial real estate work and is especially highly regarded for his expertise in transactions and financings for a diverse range of clients. He has significant experience handling mixed-use projects, and enjoys a strong reputation for his attention to detail. David Houston retains a strong reputation for his handling of a variety of commercial real estate work. His expertise covers a range of matters, including residential and mixed-use work, with particular experience in retail. Robert Diamond comes particularly recommended for his work on residential matters and is singled out as a leading name for condominium work in Northern Virginia. The highly experienced Karen Fagelson is recognized for her expertise in acquisitions and financings, and is a fine choice of counsel on PPP and mixed-use developments.

**Significant clients** The Peterson Companies, Kettler, Toll Brothers, Lemer Enterprises, IDI Group.

# **PENNSYLVANIA**

# ANTITRUST

Antitrust
Leading Firms
Band 3
Reed Smith LLP
Leading Individuals
Band 2
Booker Daniel   Reed Smith LLP

# **BANKING & FINANCE**

Banking & Finance
Leading Firms
Band 1
Reed Smith LLP
Leading Individuals
Band 1
Kabnick Lisa D Reed Smith LLP
Band 2
Lawlor James S Reed Smith LLP
Up-and-coming individuals
Surbeck David Reed Smith LLP
Banking & Finance: Mainly Regulatory Leading Individuals
Band 1
Bernstein Leonard A Reed Smith LLP
Band 2
Bleier Michael E Reed Smith LLP

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

What the team is known for Robust antitrust practice with a significant global reach, adept at advising and counseling companies on a broad range of anticompetitive matters.

**Work highlights** Defended United States Steel in an action brought against it claiming violation of antitrust laws by deliberately distorting the market for sales of tin mill products.

#### Notable practitioners

**Daniel Booker** divides his time between the firm's Pittsburgh and Washington, DC offices. He maintains a stellar reputation in the market, with clients noting that he is particularly skilled in litigation.

Significant clients Highmark, PNC, WESCO, NiSource, Dusa Pharmaceuticals.

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

What the team is known for Handles a wide range of transactions for a wealth of national and global financial institutions. Gains particular acclaim for its representation of lenders across the market, and offers the full range of expertise in syndicated loans and credit facilities.

Work highlights Represented Aerocrine in a \$35 million multijurisdictional senior secured term loan agreement and \$15 million directed share issue. Notable practitioners

Leonard Bernstein divides his time between the firm's Philadelphia and Princeton offices. He chairs the firm's financial services regulatory group and advises a range of clients on federal and state financial regulations. Department head Lisa Kabnick has an outstanding reputation among clients, who rate her highly for complex cross-border work. She recently assisted Nuron Biotech in an \$80 million financing transaction. **James Lawlor** recently led TAL International in a \$450 million secured revolving loan facility and is highlighted by clients for his business acumen. **David Surbeck** proves popular among clients, who appreciate his legal skills and client service. **Michael Bleier** has a strong regulatory practice and extensive expertise, gained from his years working in-house at Mellon Financial and the Federal Reserve.

Significant clients Bank of New York Mellon, Wells Fargo, M&T Bank, TriState Capital, Kendal-Crosslands Communities.

# **BANKRUPTCY/RESTRUCTURING**

Bankruptcy/Restructuring
Leading Firms
Band 1
Reed Smith LLP
Leading Individuals
Band 1
Singer Paul M Reed Smith LLP
Springer Claudia Z Reed Smith LLP
Band 2
Clark Peter Reed Smith LLP
Schaffer Eric A Reed Smith LLP
Band 4
Baker Derek J Reed Smith LLP
Tashman Matthew E Reed Smith LLP

#### Reed Smith LLP

What the team is known for Represents local, national and international clients, particularly on the lender side, but also on the debtor side, in a wide range of insolvency-related matters. At the forefront of the market for Chapter 11 and municipal bondrelated work.

Work highlights Represented successor indenture trustee Wells Fargo in relation to the municipal bankruptcy proceedings for Jefferson County, Alabama.

#### Notable practitioners

**Paul Singer** brings a wealth of experience to the team across a broad industry base. He is the founder of the firm's bankruptcy practice, and clients praise his legal knowledge and easy-going manner. The popular **Claudia Springer** is highly regarded by peers

and has represented Siemens Energy as a creditor in LSP Energy Limited Partnership's Chapter 11 proceedings. Eric Schaffer acted for Wells Fargo, as the largest unsecured creditor in the Jefferson County municipal bankruptcy. Clients praise his dedication and the highly attentive service. Department head Peter Clark has particular expertise in advising banks on commercial workouts and restructurings. Derek Baker co-led the team representing National Penn Bank in litigation, including an involuntary bankruptcy case against a Pennsylvanian recreational resort. Matthew Tashman is praised by clients for his ability to consider both legal and business issues. Significant clients BNY Mellon, PNC Bank, First Niagara Bank, M&T Bank, Metex.

## **ENVIRONMENT**

Environment Leading Individuals
Band 2
Naugle Louis Reed Smith LLP

#### Reed Smith LLP

**Louis Naugle** of Reed Smith LLP is highly valued by clients for his knowledge of state regulations. He recently represented Seneca Resources in an air permit appeal before the Pennsylvania Environmental Hearing Board.

## **HEALTHCARE**

Healthcare
Leading Firms
Band 2
Reed Smith LLP
Leading Individuals
Band 1
Thallner Karl A. Reed Smith LLP
Band 3
Rotella Salvatore Reed Smith LLP

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

What the team is known for A broad-based practice with comprehensive strength across wide-ranging healthcare matters, from transactions to regulatory compliance and reimbursement issues. Offers particular expertise in fraud and abuse cases, as well as privacy, security and health information work.

**Work highlights** Worked with Adobe Systems on its HIPAA compliancy matters.

#### Notable practitioners

Karl Thallner focuses primarily on healthcare transactions, regulatory compliance counseling and reimbursement matters. He is held in high esteem as a

leading practitioner whose expertise sees him handle an impressive range of work on both a statewide and nationwide level. **Salvatore Rotella** works within the healthcare litigation, regulatory and compliance space, regularly acting for clients such as ambulatory surgery centers, hospitals and health systems. His experience also includes behavioral health work across a wide range of issues on behalf of care providers.

Significant clients Select Medical Corporation, Tenet Healthcare Corporation, Thomas Jefferson University, Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, Community Health Systems.

## **INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**

Intellectual Property	
Leading Firms	
Band 4	
Reed Smith LLP	
Leading Individuals	
Band 2	
Colen Frederick H Reed Smith LLP	

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

What the team is known for Established patent and trademark practice, handling both transactional IP and litigation. Has a global reach, representing clients from a range of industries including life sciences, consumer products and electronics.

**Work highlights** Represented GlaxoSmithKline Consumer Healthcare in multiple IP matters relating to nicotine replacement therapy products.

#### Notable practitioners

**Frederick Colen** has a wealth of knowledge of patent, copyright and trademarks that he has developed both in private practice and from his previous experience working within the pharmaceuticals industry.

Significant clients Altair Eyewear, Carnegie Institute, Carnegie Mellon University, Accuray, MSD Consumer Care.

# LABOR & EMPLOYMENT

Labor & Employment
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Reed Smith LLP
Leading Individuals
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Bevan III William Reed Smith LLP
Fritton Karl Reed Smith LLP
Hartle Munsch Martha Reed Smith LLP
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Connors Eugene Reed Smith LLP
Band 4
Ryan Casey Reed Smith LLP

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Martini John D Reed Smith LLP

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

What the team is known for Represents a diverse client base, including private equity firms, municipalities and nonprofit organizations. Maintains particular strength in the higher education sector, handling issues such as tenure disagreements and dismissal disputes.

Work highlights Assisted Biomet during the United Steelworkers Union's campaign to organize 900 of its employees, representing the company before the NLRB and in unfair labor practice proceedings. Notable practitioners

John Martini receives significant praise from clients, who commend his expertise in compensationrelated matters. He chairs the firm's global executive compensation and employee benefits practice, and represents companies from a wide range of industries. William Bevan frequently represents employers in the manufacturing and construction industries, notably in issues concerning the NLRA. His practice covers a variety of matters, including collective bargaining agreements, union-organizing campaigns and employment litigation. Karl Fritton divides his time between the firm's Philadelphia and Chicago offices, representing employers in matters such as labor arbitration and litigation. He is also heavily involved in union matters and recently represented Biomet during the United Steelworkers Union's campaign to organize 900 of its employees. Martha Hartle Munsch is highly regarded by clients and regularly represents employers in the higher education and nonprofit industries. Eugene Connors maintains a broad practice and has worked with employers from a diverse range of industries, from airlines and trucking to chemicals and plastics. Casey Ryan works with clients on litigating employment disputes, such as equal pay and wrongful discharge, and has a strong arbitration practice.

Significant clients UPS, Siemens Medical Solutions, Carnegie Mellon University, Exelon, Tyco International.

# LITIGATION

Litigation: General Commercial
Leading Firms
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Leading Individuals
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Ellison John N Reed Smith LLP
Scott Michael T Reed Smith LLP
Litigation: White-Collar Crime

& Government Investigations Leading Individuals Band 2 Suddath Jr Thomas H Reed Smith LLP

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

What the team is known for A full-service firm that demonstrates impressive abilities in representing banks in financial services litigation. Offers a global platform with a strong foothold in energy and life sciences litigation, as well as a renowned insurance recovery group.

Work highlights Worked with Highmark in a dispute with West Penn Allegheny Health System over the latter's termination of an affiliation agreement. Notable practitioners

Thomas Suddath focuses his practice on whitecollar defense and government investigations work. He has a wealth of experience representing those in the healthcare industry on a whole gamut of matters including antikickback and False Claims Act issues. **John Ellison** comes highly regarded by his clients. He concentrates his practice on insurance coverage claims, acting on behalf of policyholders on a range of matters. **Michael Scott** receives high praise from his clients and focuses on product liability cases, notably including pharmaceutical and medical device-related litigation.

**Significant clients** The Bank of New York Mellon, CR Bard, Endo Pharmaceuticals, GE, Merck.

# TEXAS

## CONSTRUCTION

Construction Leading Individuals Band 2 Haag Lee Reed Smith LLP

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

Lee Haag of Reed Smith LLP enjoys an excellent reputation for his construction practice with a wide variety of clients in the energy and healthcare sectors. He has litigated pipeline and refinery construction cases.

# VIRGINIA

# CONSTRUCTION

Construction
Leading Firms
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Reed Smith LLP
Leading Individuals
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Folk Thomas R. Reed Smith LLP

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

What the team is known for Significant depth of expertise across a range of construction disputes and impressive experience in a broad variety of contractual issues. Represents a wide range of public and private clients throughout the region and bolsters its practice with significant nationwide capability.

Work highlights Acted in a lawsuit concerning construction defects in the JW Marriott Desert Ridge Hotel. Represented the owner of the hotel in its suit against the general contractor and several subcontractors.

#### Notable practitioners

Thomas Folk receives significant acclaim for his commercial approach to procurement contract work. He is praised for his depth of experience and particular strength acting for public sector clients. Significant clients Loudoun County Public Schools, Duke Realty Corporation, Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, Desert Ridge Resort, Kettler.

# LITIGATION

Litigation: General Commercial
Leading Firms
Band 3
Reed Smith LLP
Leading Individuals
Band 3
Thomas Alexander Reed Smith LLP

#### **Reed Smith LLP**

What the team is known for Well-recognized wing of the firm's international litigation department, handling matters throughout the state. Excellent reputation for its deft handling of complex and highprofile work and its ability to take cases to trial. Notable practitioners

**Alexander Thomas** has a broad practice encompassing a wide range of commercial issues, with significant strength in antitrust work and unfair competition.

