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40 Hughes Hubbard Lawyers Named to Best Lawyers in America 2026

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Aug. 21, 2025 – The 2026 edition of Best Lawyers in America has named 40 Hughes Hubbard lawyers to its list, recognizing them as top legal talent across key industries and practice areas.

John Townsend was named to the 2026 Lawyer of the Year awards list for his work in international arbitration in the firm's Washington, DC, office. This is an accolade received by only one lawyer in each practice area and region across the country.

The rankings also included 11 lawyers named to the Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in America list, a ranking that recognizes lawyers early in their careers.

First published in 1983, Best Lawyers in America is a peer-review publication in the legal profession. The guide highlights outstanding legal professionals selected by their peers through millions of votes each year.

Lawyer of the Year

- John Townsend – International Arbitration - Governmental

Best Lawyers in America

- Kansas City, MO
 - David Woods – Commercial Litigation
- Los Angeles, CA
 - Yi-Chin Ho – Criminal Defense: White-Collar
 - Theodore Latty – Native American Law; Securities / Capital Markets Law
- Miami, FL
 - Timothy McCarthy – Derivatives and Futures Law
 - Emilio Saiz – Corporate Law
 - Nicolas Swerdloff – Commercial Litigation; Litigation - Banking and Finance; Litigation - Securities
- New York, NY

- Candace K. Beinecke – Corporate Governance Law
- Andy Braiterman – Tax Law
- Susan Millington Campbell – Environmental Law
- Katie Coleman – Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law; Litigation - Bankruptcy
- Chris Gartman – Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- Meaghan Gragg – International Arbitration - Commercial
- Spencer Harrison – Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law
- Chris Kiplok – Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law; Litigation - Bankruptcy
- Ed Little – Criminal Defense: White-Collar
- Bill Maguire – Commercial Litigation
- Ted Mayer – Product Liability Litigation - Defendants
- Richard Miller, Jr. – Litigation - Trusts and Estates; Trusts and Estates
- Robb Patryk – Product Liability Litigation - Defendants
- Michael Salzman – Art Law
- Charlie Wachsstock – Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law
- Dan Weiner – Art Law; International Arbitration - Commercial
- Washington, DC
 - Robert Bell – Antitrust Law; Litigation - Antitrust
 - Jim Boykin – International Arbitration - Commercial ; International Arbitration - Governmental
 - Gaela Gehring Flores – International Arbitration - Commercial
 - Philip Giordano – Antitrust Law; Litigation - Antitrust
 - Bill Kolasky – Antitrust Law; Litigation - Antitrust
 - John Townsend – International Arbitration - Commercial; International Arbitration - Governmental

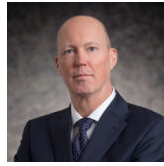
Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in America

- Miami, FL
 - Tom Richardson – Banking and Finance Law; Corporate Law
 - Brian Vaca – Commercial Litigation
- New York, NY
 - Justin Cohen – Tax Law
 - Ashley Hodges – Antitrust Law
 - Javad Husain – Corporate Law
 - Sigrid Jernudd – Antitrust Law
 - Shigeki Obi – Commercial Litigation
 - Devon Pope – Banking and Finance Law
 - Jennifer Suh – Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions – Defendants; Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants; Product Liability Litigation - Defendants
- Washington, DC
 - Eleanor Erney – Commercial Litigation
 - Walter Song – Corporate Law

Related People



John M. Townsend



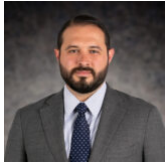
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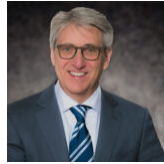
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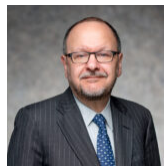
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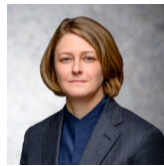
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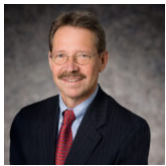
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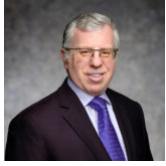
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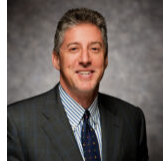
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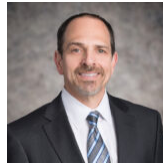
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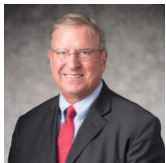
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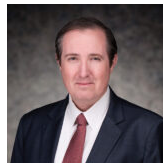
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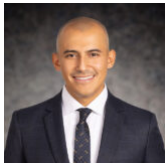
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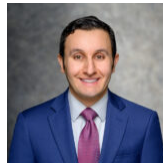
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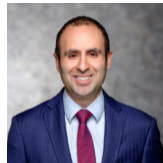
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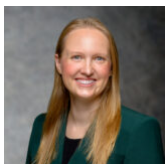
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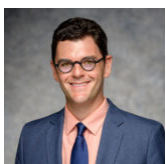
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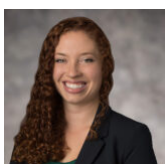
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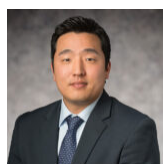
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