



Foster Swift Announces 2008 Best Lawyers In America

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The Michigan law firm of Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith, P.C. is proud to announce that twenty-six of the firm's attorneys statewide have been selected for inclusion in the 2009 edition of *Best Lawyers in America*. A publication of Woodward & White, *Best Lawyers in America* is one of the oldest and most respected peer review publications in the legal profession.

Of particular note, **Douglas A. Mielock** has been the only Michigan attorney selected by *Best Lawyers in America* for his work in the area of Elder Law. Mielock is also included as a Best Lawyer for his Trusts & Estates practice.

Charles E. Barbieri and **Webb A. Smith** are also distinguished by their exclusive selection as the only two Michigan attorneys named to the 2009 *Best Lawyers* for their work in Natural Resources law.

In the firm's Lansing office, twenty-one attorneys, more than any other Lansing firm, have been selected for the 2009 edition. **Allan J. Claypool** has been included in *Best Lawyers* for twenty-five years for his Tax Law and Trusts & Estates practice. **Stephen I. Jurmu** has been included for twenty years for his practice in the area of Employee Benefits. **Charles E. Barbieri** for his practice in the areas of Environmental Law, First Amendment Law, and Natural Resources Law, **Charles A. Janssen** for his practice in the area of Trusts & Estates, **Gary J. McRay** for his practice in Health Care Law, and **Webb A. Smith** for his practice in the areas of Commercial Litigation, Energy, First Amendment, Natural Resources, and Oil & Gas Law have been included for ten years.

In addition, the following attorneys in the firm's Lansing office have been included: **Michael G. Harrison** in Alternative Dispute Resolution; **James B. Jensen, Jr.** for Tax Law; **David M. Lick** Commercial Litigation and Construction Law; **Stephen J. Lowney** for Employee Benefits; **Scott L. Mandel** for Commercial Litigation and Insurance Law; **Donald E. Martin** for Non-White-Collar Criminal Defense and

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PRACTICE AREAS

Commercial Litigation



White-Collar Criminal Defense; **Michael D. Sanders** for Workers' Compensation; **Sherry A. Stein** for Employee Benefits; **Scott A. Storey** for Commercial Litigation and Product Liability Litigation; and **Brent A. Titus** for Real Estate; **Brian G. Goodenough** for Workers' Compensation; **Matt G. Hrebec** for Banking; **Steven L. Owen** for Real Estate Law; and **Deanna Swisher** for Commercial Litigation.

All of the foregoing attorneys are shareholders of Foster Swift, resident in the Lansing, Michigan office.

In Farmington Hills, **Gilbert M. Frimet**, **Alan Gilchrist**, and **Alan Rogalski** have been selected for inclusion in *Best Lawyers* in Health Care. **Bruce A. VandeVusse** is included for his practice area of Medical Malpractice.

In Grand Rapids, **Scott H. Hogan** has been included. His noted area for inclusion in *Best Lawyers* is Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights.

Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith, P.C. is a law firm founded on the 106 year-old tradition of quality service based on experience, performance and results. With offices in Lansing, Farmington Hills, Detroit, Grand Rapids, and Marquette, Michigan the firm's attorneys provide general, local and special counsel to businesses and individuals throughout the Midwest.