

# Super Lawyers Recognizes Shutts & Bowen Attorneys

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Shutts & Bowen LLP is proud to announce that 22 attorneys have been named to the 2023 Florida *Super Lawyers* list, while 18 attorneys have been recognized as 2023 *Rising Stars*.

Super Lawyers is a rating service of outstanding lawyers who have attained a high-degree of peer recognition and professional achievement. The objective of Super Lawyers' patented multiphase selection process is to create a credible, comprehensive and diverse listing of outstanding attorneys that can be used as a resource when searching for legal counsel. Only the top 5 percent of attorneys are selected to be included on the Super Lawyers list each year, while no more than 2.5 percent of lawyers under 40 years old or who have practiced for fewer than 10 years are selected as Rising Stars.

Margaret "Peggy" Rolando, John Dannecker, Amanda Buffinton, Woodrow "Woody" Pollack and Patricia Leonard were recognized as Top Lawyers in their respective cities, while Peggy and Amanda were also included on the 2023 Women Florida Super Lawyers List.

The recognized Shutts & Bowen 2023 Florida Super Lawyers and Rising Stars are listed below:

## **FORT LAUDERDALE**

### **Recognized as Super Lawyers:**

- [Joseph M. Goldstein](#) - Business Litigation

### **Recognized as Rising Stars:**

- [Deedee Bitran](#) - Employment & Labor
- [Amy Wessel Jones](#) - Appellate

## **MIAMI**

### **Recognized as Super Lawyers:**

- [Patrick J. Lannon](#) - Estate & Probate
- [Julissa Rodriguez](#) - Appellate
- [Margaret A. "Peggy" Rolando](#) - Real Estate

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- Top 50: 2023 Women Florida Super Lawyers List
- Top 100: 2023 Miami Super Lawyers

### Recognized as Rising Stars:

- [Matthew Innes](#) - Civil Litigation: Defense
- [Mayte Pena](#) - Civil Litigation: Defense
- [Cari R. Shapiro](#) - Civil Litigation: Defense
- [Aleksey Shtivelman](#) - Business Litigation

### ORLANDO

#### Recognized as Super Lawyers:

- [John H. Dannecker](#) - Construction Litigation
  - Top 50: 2023 Orlando Super Lawyers
- [Mary Ruth Houston](#) - Employment & Labor

#### Recognized as Rising Stars:

- [John Cameron E. Katz](#) - Business/Corporate
- Christian M. Leger - Business Litigation
- [Elesa Sowell](#) - Real Estate

### SARASOTA

#### Recognized as Super Lawyers:

- [Charla M. Burchett](#) - Estate & Probate

#### Recognized as Rising Stars:

- [Erik M. Hanson](#) - Construction Litigation
- [Benjamin Sorrell](#) - Real Estate

### TALLAHASSEE

#### Recognized as Super Lawyers:

- [Daniel E. Nordby](#) - Appellate

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### TAMPA

#### Recognized as Super Lawyers:

- [Eric S. Adams](#) - Business Litigation
- [Amanda B. Buffinton](#) - Construction Litigation
  - Top 100: 2023 Florida Super Lawyers
  - Top 50: 2023 Women Florida Super Lawyers
  - Top 50: 2023 Tampa Bay Super Lawyers
- [Meredith A. Freeman](#) - Construction Litigation
- [Jordan G. Lee](#) - Estate & Probate
- [Erik R. Matheney](#) - General Litigation
- [Eric E. Page](#) - General Litigation
- [Woodrow H. Pollack](#) - Intellectual Property
  - Top 100: 2023 Florida Super Lawyers
  - Top 50: 2023 Tampa Bay Super Lawyers
- [Ryan C. Reinert](#) - Bankruptcy: Business
- [Michael P. Silver](#) - Business Litigation
- [Timothy D. Woodward](#) - Construction Litigation

#### Recognized as Rising Stars:

- [Ashlyn Robinson Banks](#) - Business Litigation
- [Garrett Tozier](#) - Appellate
- [Jessica Viola](#) - Construction Litigation

### WEST PALM BEACH

#### Recognized as Super Lawyers:

- [Joseph W. Bain](#) - Intellectual Property Litigation
- [Eric C. Christu](#) - Business Litigation
- [Patricia A. Leonard](#) - Business Litigation
  - Top 100: 2023 Miami Super Lawyers
- [Arthur J. Menor](#) - Real Estate

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### Recognized as Rising Stars:

- [James C. Gavigan, Jr.](#) – Business Litigation
- [Cassandra Jelincic](#) – Estate & Trust Litigation
- [Elizabeth M. Jones](#) – Real Estate

### JACKSONVILLE

### Recognized as Rising Stars:

- Frank T. Moya – Construction Litigation

### About Shutts & Bowen LLP

Established in 1910, Shutts & Bowen is a full-service business law firm with approximately 300 lawyers with offices in Fort Lauderdale, Jacksonville, Miami, Orlando, Sarasota, Tallahassee, Tampa and West Palm Beach. Learn more about Shutts & Bowen at [www.shutts.com](http://www.shutts.com).

### Professionals

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### Practice Areas

Appellate  
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Construction  
Corporate  
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Intellectual Property  
Labor and Employment  
Litigation  
Real Estate  
Trusts and Estates

### Offices

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