

# Shutts & Bowen Attorneys Selected for Inclusion in Best Lawyers in America 2020; 8 Partners Selected as 'Lawyer of the Year'

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Shutts and Bowen is proud to announce 86 lawyers were recognized by their peers for inclusion in the 2020 Edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*®. Among them are several partners who were also selected as a "Lawyer of the Year" in their respective fields: Gary M. Bagliebter (Criminal Defense: White-Collar); [James G. Willard](#) (Real Estate Law); [John H. Dannecker](#) (Construction Law); [Luis A. de Armas](#) (International Trade and Finance Law); [Mary Ruth Houston](#) (Litigation - Labor and Employment); [Michael L. Gore](#) (Litigation - Banking and Finance); Steven M. Greenberg (Litigation - Intellectual Property); and [Woodrow H. Pollack](#) (Copyright Law).

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The following is a list of the Shutts attorneys named and the areas in which they are recognized:

## **FORT LAUDERDALE**

- [Brendan Aloysius Barry](#): Real Estate Law
- Edward J. O'Sheehan: Litigation - Bankruptcy
- Gary M. Bagliebter: Commercial Litigation; Criminal Defense: White-Collar; Litigation - Banking and Finance
  - Lawyer of the Year: Criminal Defense: White Collar
- [Joseph M. Goldstein](#): Administrative / Regulatory Law
- Marshall J. Emas: Real Estate Law
- [Sandra E. Krumbein](#): Real Estate Law

## **JACKSONVILLE**

- Jeffrey York: Commercial Litigation

## **MIAMI**

- [Alfred G. Smith](#): Corporate Law

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- Arthur J. Furia: Banking and Finance Law; Corporate Law; International Mergers & Acquisitions
- [Bowman Brown](#): Banking and Finance Law; Corporate Law; Insurance Law; International Trade and Finance Law; Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- [Bryan S. Wells](#): Banking and Finance Law
- [Florentino L. Gonzalez](#): Real Estate Law
- [Francis E. Rodriguez](#): Corporate Law; Trusts and Estates
- [Frank A. Zacherl](#): Litigation - Insurance
- [Gary J. Cohen](#): Tax Law
- [Donald Wasil](#): Real Estate Law
- [Thomas Cookson](#): Banking and Finance Law; Corporate Law; Securities/Capital Markets Law
- [Jeffrey M. Landau](#): Insurance Law
- [John E. Meagher](#): Insurance Law; Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants
- Joseph D. Bolton: Real Estate Law
- Kevin D. Cowan: Real Estate Law
- [Lee D. Mackson](#): Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law; Litigation – Bankruptcy
- [Luis A. de Armas](#): Corporate Law; International Mergers & Acquisitions; International Trade and Finance Law; Mergers and Acquisitions Law
  - Lawyer of the Year: International Trade and Finance Law
- [Margaret A. Rolando](#): Real Estate Law
- [Miranda Lundein Soto](#): Litigation - Insurance
- [Peter H. Levitt](#): Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- [Rene J. Gonzalez-Llorens](#): Employment Law - Management
- Robert G. Fracasso: Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- [Roland A. Gallor](#): Real Estate Law
- Sheila M. Cesarano: Employment Law – Management; Labor Law - Management
- [Stephen B. Gillman](#): Commercial Litigation; Litigation – Antitrust; Litigation - Banking and Finance; Litigation - Securities
- [Steven M. Ebner](#): Commercial Litigation
- William F. Smith: Banking and Finance Law
- [William G. McCullough](#): Banking and Finance Law

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### ORLANDO

- Andrew M. Brumby: Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law; Litigation - Bankruptcy
- Brent C. Bell: Litigation - Construction
- [Charles B. Costar, III](#): Land Use and Zoning Law; Real Estate Law
- Charles Robinson Fawsett: Employment Law – Management; Labor Law – Management; Litigation - Labor and Employment
- [Daniel T. O'Keefe](#): Real Estate Law
- [Donald J. Curotto](#): Litigation - Real Estate; Real Estate Law
- [Gregory Humphries](#): Corporate Law
- [Jack C. McElroy](#): Commercial Litigation; Litigation - Banking and Finance
- James A. Timko: Litigation - Bankruptcy
- [James F. Johnston](#): Government Relations Practice; Real Estate Law
- [James G. Willard](#): Real Estate Law
  - Lawyer of the Year: Real Estate Law
- Jason G. Williams: Real Estate Law
- [Jennifer Slone Tobin](#): Real Estate Law
- [John H. Dannecker](#): Construction Law; Litigation – Construction
  - Lawyer of the Year: Construction Law
- [Juli Simas James](#): Land Use and Zoning Law; Real Estate Law
- [Mary Ruth Houston](#): Employment Law – Management; Labor Law – Management; Litigation - Labor and Employment
  - Lawyer of the Year: Litigation – Labor and Employment
- Michael Crosbie: Litigation - Intellectual Property
- [Michael J. Grindstaff](#): Litigation - Real Estate; Real Estate Law
- [Michael L. Gore](#): Litigation - Banking and Finance
  - Lawyer of the Year: Litigation – Banking and Finance
- [Paul J. Scheck](#): Employment Law – Management; Labor Law - Management
- [Roderick N. Jones](#): Banking and Finance Law
- [Russell P. Hintze](#): Mergers and Acquisitions Law; Tax Law
- [Todd F. Kobrin](#): Litigation – Construction

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### SARASOTA

- [John Patterson](#): Corporate Law; Real Estate Law

### TAMPA

- [Adam S. Woodruff](#): Corporate Law; Real Estate Law
- [Eric S. Adams](#): Commercial Litigation
- [Erik R. Matheney](#): Commercial Litigation; Criminal Defense: White-Collar; Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants
- [Frederick S. Werdine](#): Eminent Domain and Condemnation Law
- [Jordan G. Lee](#): Trusts and Estates
- Lauren Stricker: Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- [Lee E. Nelson](#): Real Estate Law
- [Lonnie L. Simpson](#): Commercial Litigation
- Mark P. Rankin: Criminal Defense: General Practice; Criminal Defense: White-Collar
- [Meredith Freeman](#): Construction Law; Litigation – Construction; Litigation - Real Estate
- [Michael P. Silver](#): Commercial Litigation
- [Olga M. Pina](#): Corporate Law
- [Alan Higbee](#): Agriculture Law; Corporate Compliance Law; Corporate Governance Law; Corporate Law; Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- [Steven K. Barber](#): Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law
- Suzanne Labrit: Appellate Practice; Commercial Litigation
- [Timothy D. Woodward](#): Construction Law
- [Tirso M. Carreja, Jr.](#): Commercial Litigation
- [Woodrow H. Pollack](#): Copyright Law; Information Technology Law; Litigation - Intellectual Property; Litigation – Patent; Patent Law; Trademark Law
- Lawyer of the Year: Copyright Law

### WEST PALM BEACH

- Alfred A. LaSorte, Jr.: Commercial Litigation; Litigation - Real Estate
- [Arthur J. Menor](#): Real Estate Law
- David A. Gart: Trusts and Estates

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- [Eric C. Christu](#): Commercial Litigation
- [Hank Jackson](#): Litigation - Intellectual Property
- [Harvey E. Oyer III](#): Land Use and Zoning Law; Real Estate Law
- [James A. Farrell](#): Health Care Law
- [Matthew Chait](#): Commercial Litigation
- [Patricia A. Leonard](#): Commercial Litigation; Litigation - Banking and Finance
- [Steven M. Greenberg](#): Copyright Law; Litigation - Intellectual Property; Patent Law; Trademark Law
  - Lawyer of the Year: Litigation – Intellectual Property
- [Steven R. Parson](#): Real Estate Law

### About Shutts & Bowen LLP

Shutts & Bowen, established in 1910, is a full-service law firm with approximately 300 lawyers in offices in Ft. 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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Woodrow "Woody" H. Pollack  
Francis E. Rodriguez  
Margaret "Peggy" A. Rolando  
Paul J. Scheck  
Michael P. Silver  
Lonnie L. Simpson  
Alfred G. Smith  
Jennifer Slone Tobin  
J. Donald Wasil  
Bryan Wells  
Fred S. Werdine  
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Frank A. Zacherl

### Practice Areas

Corporate  
Creditors' Rights and Bankruptcy



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Insurance

Intellectual Property

Labor and Employment

Land Use & Zoning

Litigation

Real Estate

White Collar Criminal Defense & Governmental Investigations