115 Dykema Lawyers Listed in The Best Lawyers in America 2017

National law firm **Dykema** has announced that 115 of the its attorneys, in multiple practice areas and markets, have been recognized in The Best Lawyers in America 2017 guide. Additionally, 14 of the firm's practitioners have been named Best Lawyers 2017 "Lawyer of the Year," a special distinction conferred upon a single lawyer within a practice area and metropolitan market.

The Best Lawyers in America is the pre-eminent national listing of outstanding attorneys, the firm said in a release. This annual guide is derived from exhaustive peer-review surveys in which thousands of leading lawyers confidentially evaluate their professional peers. The 2017 guide recognizes Dykema attorneys in virtually all of the firm's practice areas.

The Dykema attorneys named Best Lawyers 2017 "Lawyers of the Year," the practice area for which they are being recognized and office location are:

- Richard J. Aaron Energy Law, Lansing
- Maria B. Abrahamsen Health Care Law, Ann Arbor
- J. Michael Bernard Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Detroit
- Ann D. Fillingham Corporate Law, Lansing
- Alan M. Greene Land Use and Zoning Law, Bloomfield Hills
- Kathrin E. Kudner Health Care Law, Ann Arbor
- Lori McAllister Insurance Law, Lansing
- Mark A. Metz Securities Regulation, Bloomfield Hills
- Melvin J. Muskovitz Litigation Labor and Employment, Ann Arbor
- William J. Perrone Banking and Finance Law, Lansing

- Cameron H. Piggott Real Estate Law, Detroit
- Carl Rashid, Jr. Litigation and Controversy Tax, Detroit
- Rex E. Schlaybaugh, Jr. Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Bloomfield Hills
- Joshua A. Sutin Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law, San Antonio

The Dykema attorneys listed in the 2017 Best Lawyers in America guide, identified by office location and the practice areas for which they have been recognized, are:

Ann Arbor, Michigan

- Maria B. Abrahamsen Health Care Law
- Phyllis G. Adams Health Care Law
- Marie R. Deveney Trusts and Estates
- Kathrin E. Kudner Health Care Law
- Melvin J. Muskovitz Employment Law Management, Labor Law
- Management, Litigation Labor and Employment
- Roselyn (Roz) Parmenter Health Care Law
- Ronald J. Santo Employment Law Management, Labor Law Management
- Robert P. Tiplady Litigation Trusts and Estates, Trusts and Estates
- Jill M. Wheaton Appellate Practice, Commercial Litigation

Austin, Texas

- Mary Schaerdel Dietz Commercial Litigation, Litigation —
 Banking and Finance, Litigation Construction, Litigation —
 Real Estate
- Keith A. Shuley Environmental Law, Water Law
- Phillip M. Slinkard Corporate Law, Securities / Capital Markets Law

Bloomfield Hills, Michigan

- Bowden V. Brown Public Finance Law
- Brendan J. Cahill Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- Eric Thomas Carver Litigation Trusts and Estates, Tax

Law, Trusts and Estates

- Amy M. Christen Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law
- Michael G. Cumming Trusts and Estates
- James P. Feeney Arbitration, Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Corporate Law, Product Liability Litigation Defendants
- Adam M. Fishkind Real Estate Law
- Fred J. Fresard Product Liability Litigation Defendants
- Alan M. Greene Land Use and Zoning Law, Litigation Land Use and Zoning, Litigation Real Estate
- John P. Guenther Patent Law, Trademark Law
- Dennis M. Haffey Commercial Litigation, Litigation Banking and Finance, Litigation Mergers and Acquisitions, Litigation Securities, Litigation Trusts and Estates
- Kyle R. Hauberg Project Finance Law, Real Estate Law
- Margaret Adams Hunter Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law
- Howard B. Iwrey Antitrust Law, Litigation Antitrust
- Joanne R. Lax Health Care Law
- Gerald T. Lievois Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Securities
 / Capital Markets Law
- D. Richard McDonald Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Securities / Capital Markets Law, Securities Regulation
- Mark A. Metz Corporate Governance Law, Corporate Law,
 Securities / Capital Markets Law, Securities Regulation
- James D. Obermanns Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law
- Rex E. Schlaybaugh, Jr. Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Securities / Capital Markets Law
- Sheryl L. Toby Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Litigation — Bankruptcy
- Stephen L. Tupper Information Technology Law

Chicago, Illinois

- Ross J. Altman Construction Law, Real Estate Law
- Richard M. Bendix, Jr. Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law

- Michael C. Borders Product Liability Litigation Defendants
- Terrence M. Burns Medical Malpractice Law Defendants
- Derek L. Cottier Real Estate Law
- C. Elizabeth Darke Real Estate Law
- Michael S. Kurtzon Real Estate Law
- Robert C. Linton Real Estate Law
- Andrew P. Scott Land Use and Zoning Law
- Michael F. Sexton Real Estate Law
- Ian M. Sherman Insurance Law

Dallas, Texas

- Thomas B. Alleman Insurance Law, Litigation Environmental
- Mark E. Andrews Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- M. David Bryant, Jr. Commercial Litigation
- William Frank Carroll Arbitration, Banking and Finance Law, Commercial Litigation, Mediation
- Bob H. Feroze Real Estate Law
- William B. Finkelstein Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- Brian R. Forbes Real Estate Law
- R. Chris Harvey Product Liability Litigation Defendants
- Christopher D. Kratovil Appellate Practice
- Arlene Switzer Steinfield Employment Law Management, Litigation Labor and Employment
- Edwin J. Tomko Criminal Defense: White-Collar

Detroit, Michigan

- J. Michael Bernard Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- Robert A. Boonin Employment Law Management, Litigation Labor and Employment
- Michael P. Cooney Product Liability Litigation Defendants

- Samuel C. Damren Commercial Litigation, Mediation
- Sherrie L. Farrell Commercial Litigation
- Grant P. Gilezan Environmental Law, Litigation Environmental
- Steven E. Grob Litigation and Controversy Tax, Tax Law
- James F. Hermon Litigation Labor and Employment
- Kathryn J. Humphrey Aviation Law, Product Liability Litigation Defendants
- Mark D. Jacobs Environmental Law
- Peter M. Kellett Commercial Litigation, Litigation —
 Antitrust, Litigation Securities, Mediation, Product
 Liability Litigation Defendants
- Joel D. Kellman Litigation Real Estate, Real Estate Law
- Jin-Kyu Koh Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Securities / Capital Markets Law
- Cameron H. Piggott Litigation Real Estate, Real Estate Law
- Carl Rashid, Jr. Eminent Domain and Condemnation Law,
 Litigation Real Estate, Litigation and Controversy Tax,
 Real Estate Law, Tax Law
- Thomas M. Schehr Commercial Litigation
- Thomas S. Vaughn Corporate Law, Securities / Capital Markets Law

El Paso, Texas

- Kathleen Campbell Walker Immigration Law
- Mark C. Walker Personal Injury Litigation Defendants

Grand Rapids, Michigan

- James S. Brady Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Criminal Defense: General Practice, Criminal Defense: White-Collar, DUI/DWI Defense, Family Law, Litigation First Amendment, Litigation Regulatory Enforcement (SEC, Telecom, Energy), Personal Injury Litigation Defendants, Product Liability Litigation Defendants
- John A. Ferroli Environmental Law, Litigation —

Environmental

- Stephen S. Muhich Employment Law Management, Litigation
 Labor and Employment
- Brian J. Page Corporate Law, Litigation Real Estate, Real Estate Law

Lansing, Michigan

- Richard J. Aaron Administrative / Regulatory Law, Energy Law
- R. Lance Boldrey Gaming Law, Native American Law
- Sandra M. Cotter Administrative / Regulatory Law
- Ann D. Fillingham Corporate Law, Public Finance Law
- Gary P. Gordon Administrative / Regulatory Law, Government Relations Practice
- James P. Kiefer Corporate Law, Public Finance Law
- Lori McAllister Arbitration, Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Insurance Law, Litigation Banking and Finance, Litigation Insurance
- William J. Perrone Banking and Finance Law, Government Relations Practice
- W. Alan Wilk Administrative / Regulatory Law, Corporate Compliance Law, Corporate Governance Law
- Leonard C. Wolfe Administrative / Regulatory Law, Gaming Law, Government Relations Practice

McAllen, Texas

• Diann M. Bartek — Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Litigation — Bankruptcy

Minneapolis, Minnesota

- Reed R. Heimbecher Patent Law
- Timothy D. Kelly Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Litigation Banking and Finance, Litigation Mergers and Acquisitions, Litigation Real Estate
- Brian Melendez Commercial Litigation

San Antonio, Texas

- Kerry T. Benedict Banking and Finance Law, Real Estate Law
- Ramon D. Bissmeyer Employment Law Management, Labor Law
- Management, Litigation Labor and Employment
- Peter R. Broderick Real Estate Law
- J. Daniel Harkins Copyright Law, Litigation Intellectual Property, Litigation Patent, Patent Law, Trademark Law
- C. David Kinder Commercial Litigation
- Wilhelm E. Liebmann Corporate Law, Securities / Capital Markets Law
- James M. McDonough Real Estate Law
- Donna K. McElroy Employment Law Management, Labor Law Management
- Robert W. Nelson Tax Law
- J. Patrick Ryan Corporate Law
- Thomas E. Sanders Commercial Litigation, Litigation ERISA
- Brett W. Schouest Commercial Litigation
- James B. Smith, Jr. Corporate Law
- Daniel R. Stern Employment Law Individuals, Employment Law Management, Labor Law Management, Labor Law Union, Litigation Labor and Employment
- John B. Stewart Real Estate Law
- Joshua A. Sutin Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law
- James M. Truss Commercial Litigation, Litigation Environmental, Litigation Real Estate
- Dan G. Webster III Corporate Law
- David B. West Commercial Litigation, Litigation Banking and Finance, Litigation Trusts and Estates
- Deborah D. Williamson Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- W. Roger Wilson Energy Law
- Harry W. Wolff, Jr. Trusts and Estates