



The Nation's Most Powerful Employment Attorneys— Hall of Fame 2017 Inductees

The 15 attorneys listed below are this year's inductees to the Most Powerful Employment Attorneys' Hall of Fame. Up to 15 lawyers will be added to the HOF each year and retired from future consideration for other lists; their achievements will be forever recognized on *HREOnline*™ and on Lawdragon's website. Very few lawyers are considered for this status—which begins with 35 years in the employment-law trenches and requires consistent recognition for all-around excellence in counseling clients, contributing to the bar and serving as a visionary to improve workplaces.

Name/Title	Law Firm	City	Law School	Years in Practice	Practice Specialty
Fred W. Alvarez Of Counsel	Jones Day	Palo Alto, Calif.	Stanford	42	Defends employers in claims brought by private and governmental parties and by former senior executives
Ned H. Bassen , Chair, Employment and Unfair Competition Department	Hughes Hubbard	New York	Cornell	44	Ranges from litigating on behalf of and counseling defense contractors and financial institutions to individuals accused of wrongdoing
Greg Braden Partner; Co-Chair, ERISA Litigation	Morgan Lewis	Washington	Wisconsin	35	ERISA litigation and has served as lead defense counsel in virtually every type of ERISA Title I class action claim
Lawrence C. DiNardo Partner	Jones Day	Chicago	Notre Dame	43	Employment and labor law, with particular emphasis on employment-discrimination litigation and FLSA/wage/hour cases
Brian S. Greig Of Counsel, Retired Partner	Norton Rose Fulbright	Austin, Texas	University of Texas	42	Focuses in the employment and labor-law area representing management
Ellen C. Kearns Managing Partner, Boston Office	Constangy	Boston	Boston College	41	Represents management in a full range of traditional labor and employment issues
John B. Langel Retired Partner	Ballard Spahr	Philadelphia	Temple	43	Specialized in labor and employment matters
John B. Lewis Partner	BakerHostetler	Cleveland	University of Missouri	45	Complex employment, labor and regulatory disputes, including the defense and oversight of class-action litigation
Michael J. Lotito Shareholder; Co-Chair, Workplace Policy Institute	Littler	San Francisco	Villanova	43	Provides counsel to companies and trade associations regarding workplace policy initiatives at the federal and state levels
Michael D. Patrick Retired Partner	Fragomen	New York	Hofstra	39	Specialized in corporate and sophisticated business immigration
Lawrence J. Rosenfeld Senior Counsel	Squire Patton Boggs	Phoenix	Yale	42	Employment law, litigation, health law and administrative law
W.V. Bernie Siebert Member	Sherman & Howard	Denver	University of Nebraska	45	Traditional labor law in union elections, collective bargaining and handling unfair labor practice charges
Richard J. Simmons Partner	Sheppard Mullin	Los Angeles	UC Berkeley	41	Represents employers in various labor-relations matters involving state and federal wage/hour laws, wrongful discharge and employment discrimination
Allan H. Weitzman , Partner; Chair, Labor and Employment Team, Boca Raton Office	Proskauer	Boca Raton, Fla.	Cornell	44	Litigates employment-law disputes in state and federal courts at the trial and appellate levels
M. Kirby C. Wilcox Senior Counsel	Paul Hastings	San Francisco	UC Hastings	40	Employment litigation and counseling for corporations