



Foster Swift Announces 2009 Best Lawyers

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Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith is proud to announce that 31 of its attorneys have been named to the 2010 edition of Best Lawyers®, the oldest and most respected peer review publication in the legal profession.

First published in 1983, Best Lawyers is based on an exhaustive annual peer-review survey. Because of the rigorous and transparent methodology used by Best Lawyers, and because lawyers are not required or allowed to pay a fee to be listed, inclusion in Best Lawyers is considered a singular honor. Corporate Counsel Magazine has called Best Lawyers “the most respected referral list of attorneys in practice.”

Foster Swift is rated number one in Michigan in the practice areas of Elder Law, Natural Resources Law, and Project Finance Law.

In the firm’s Lansing office, twenty-four attorneys, more than any other Lansing firm, have been selected for the 2010 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 over 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 or more years.

In addition, the following attorneys in the firm’s Lansing office have been included: **Scott A. Chernich** for Banking & Bankruptcy Law; **Brian G. Goodenough** for Workers’ Compensation; **Michael G. Harrison** in Alternative Dispute Resolution; **Matt G. Hrebec** for Banking; **James B. Jensen, Jr.** for Tax Law; **Steven H. Lasher** for Administrative Law; **David M. Lick** for Commercial Litigation and Construction Law; **Stephen J. Lowney** for Employee Benefits; **Scott**

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PRACTICE AREAS

Appellate Practice
Banking, Finance & Real Estate
Commercial Litigation

L. Mandel for Commercial Litigation and Insurance Law; **Donald E. Martin** for Non-White-Collar Criminal Defense and White-Collar Criminal Defense; **Douglas A. Mielock** for Elder Law, Non-Profit/Charities Law, and Trust & Estates; **Steven L. Owen** for Real Estate Law; **Frank H. Reynolds** for Non-White-Collar Criminal Defense, White-Collar Criminal Defense, & Family Law; **Michael D. Sanders** for Workers' Compensation; **Sherry A. Stein** for Employee Benefits; **Scott A. Storey** for Commercial Litigation and Product Liability Litigation; **Deanna Swisher** for Commercial Litigation; and **Brent A. Titus** for Real Estate.

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

The Lansing office is rated number one in Lansing in the following categories: Banking Law, Bankruptcy and Creditor/Debtor Rights, Commercial Litigation, Construction Law, Corporate Governance and Compliance Law, Criminal Defense (White Collar & Non-White Collar), Elder Law, Employee Benefits Law, Family Law, First Amendment Law, Health Care Law, Mergers & Acquisitions Law, Municipal Law, Natural Resources Law, Non-Profit/Charities Law, Product Liability Litigation, Project Finance Law, Tax Law, Trusts & Estates, and Workers Compensation Law.

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

In Farmington Hills, Foster Swift has six attorneys listed, more than any other office in Farmington Hills. **Gilbert M. Frimet**, **Alan Gilchrist**, and **Alan Rogalski** have been selected for inclusion in Best Lawyers in Health Care. **Frank T. Mamat** is included for Labor & Employment Law. **Francis G. Seyferth** is included for his work in Trusts & Estates. **Bruce A. VandeVusse** is included for his practice area of Medical Malpractice.

The Farmington Hills office is rated number one in Farmington Hills in the practice areas of Administrative Law, Health Care Law, Medical Malpractice Law, and Trusts & Estates.

Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith, P.C. is a law firm founded on the 107 year-old tradition of high quality service based on experience, performance and results. With offices in Lansing, Farmington Hills, Grand Rapids, Detroit and Marquette the firm's attorneys provide general, local and special counsel to businesses and individuals throughout the Midwest