

New Lippes Mathias LLP Attorneys and Practices Recognized, Others Continue to Climb Regional & National Rankings in Chambers USA 2023



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Lippes Mathias is pleased to announce that six of its practice areas and 16 of its attorneys have been ranked by Chambers USA 2023.

For practice areas, Lippes Mathias ranked in Band 3 for Intellectual Property – Ohio, Band 3 for Corporate/M&A – Upstate New York, Band 4 for Labor & Employment – Upstate New York, Band 3 for Litigation: General Commercial – Upstate New York, and Band 2 for Real Estate – Upstate New York. Lippes Mathias also received a Band 3 ranking for Native American Law – USA – Nationwide.

Chambers USA 2023 ranked John J. Koeppel in Band 2, Brian J. Bocketti in Band 3, and Thomas B. Hughes and Sean P. Balkin as Associates to Watch in the practice area of Corporate/Mergers & Acquisitions – Upstate New York. Additionally, Amy Habib Rittling ranked in Band 3 for Labor & Employment – Upstate New York, Jennifer C. Persico ranked in Band 4 for Litigation: General Commercial – Upstate New York, and Blaine S. Schwartz and Thomas J. Fennell ranked as Band 1 and Up and Coming, respectively in Real Estate – Upstate New York.

Two Lippes Mathias attorneys also ranked higher this year than before, with Brendan J. Rich moving to Band 4 for Corporate/M&A – New York: Upstate and Paul F. Wells ranking in Band 2 for Real Estate – New York: Upstate.

Newcomers to Lippes Mathias' list of Chambers USA-ranked attorneys in 2023 include Amy L. Reichhart and Ian A. Shavitz, who both ranked in Band 3 for Environment – Upstate New York, Hon. Carol E. Heckman (Ret.), who was ranked in Band 3 for Native American Law – USA – Nationwide, Richard M. Scherer, Jr., who ranked in Band 4 for Litigation: General Commercial – New York: Upstate and Robert G. Riegel, who received a Band 3 ranking for Labor & Employment in Florida.

Michael G. Rossetti, partner-in-charge of the firm's Washington, D.C., office and co-leader of the firm's Indian law practice team, was once again ranked in Band 2 for Native American Law – USA - Nationwide.

Since 1990, Chambers and Partners has published guides to the legal profession, identifying and ranking the world's best lawyers and law firms based on in-depth, objective research. Chambers USA ranks leading law firms and lawyers throughout the United States in more than 50 practice areas.

In reference to Lippes Mathias Corporate/M&A practice area, clients of the firm mentioned that John J. Koeppel is "very creative," that Brian J. Bocketti is "a trusted professional that is relied upon for wise counsel, not only legally but also from a general business perspective," that Thomas B. Hughes "works tirelessly and does whatever it takes to meet our needs," and that Brendan J. Rich "is great to work with."

In its review of Lippes Mathias' intellectual property team, Chambers USA noted that "Lippes Mathias LLP is a highly regarded IP boutique with considerable strengths in a full spectrum of IP matters, regularly advising clients on litigation, management and prosecution work. Acts for clients in industries including biotechnology, manufacturing, medical devices and green energy."

Speaking of Lippes Mathias' employment practice, a client described the team as "highly knowledgeable, responsive and also pragmatic in their approach," mentioning that they "have a high level of confidence in the skill set of their attorneys." Partner and employment team leader Amy Habib Rittling was specifically praised by clients who say she's "a phenomenal lawyer, who's 'smart and easy to work with'" and who "provides good advice that balances the practical and the legal."

According to clients referencing Lippes Mathias' litigation practice, Jennifer C. Persico, partner and the team's leader, is "an excellent lawyer who's a very hard worker and easy to work with." Richard V. Scherer, Jr. is similarly described as being "able to give layered analysis and strategy in complex cases and anticipates every twist and turn, providing clients a map."

Clients of Lippes Mathias' Native American law practice praised the team, mentioning that "their analysis of legal issues provides sufficient information and detail to lay a foundation for understanding and making an informed decision," and that "the firm is professional, responsive and capable." Clients stated that "Judge Carol Heckman is an experienced and effective litigator who brings great value to the tribal government clients she represents," and that Michael G. Rossetti "is an experienced DC insider who has very valuable knowledge and insight into the workings of the federal government," and "has wit, experience and humor, which makes conversations easier."

In regard to Lippes Mathias' real estate team, which Chambers USA describes as having a "respected practice with

expertise spanning a range of transactional and contentious real estate matters," clients noted that partner and team member Blaine S. Schwartz "is a really good attorney and a tactician," and described partner and team leader Paul F. Wells as a "great attorney" who "does a lot of cross-border work and services his clients well."

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Lippes Mathias is a full-service law firm with nearly 175 attorneys serving clients regionally, nationally, and internationally. With offices in Buffalo, Clarence, Albany, Long Island, New York, Rochester and Saratoga Springs, N.Y.; Greater Toronto Area; Chicago, Ill.; Jacksonville, Fla.; Cleveland, Ohio; San Antonio, Texas; Oklahoma City, Okla. and Washington, D.C., the firm represents publicly and privately-owned companies, private equity and venture capital firms, real estate developers, financial institutions, municipalities, governmental entities, and individuals.

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