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Fennemore Attorneys Recognized in the 33rd Edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*®

August 20, 2026—The Best Lawyers in America®, one of the most respected peer-review guides in the legal profession, has recognized 147 Fennemore attorneys in its 33rd edition. The honors spotlight top legal talent nationwide, as only about 5% of practicing U.S. attorneys earn a Best Lawyer distinction. Eleven Fennemore attorneys were named as a 2027 “Lawyer of the Year,” a recognition reflecting the highest overall peer feedback for the practice area and geographic region.

“Having 147 attorneys recognized by Best Lawyers is a reflection of the remarkable people who serve our clients every day,” said James Goodnow, CEO of Fennemore. “I’m incredibly proud of our team and for what they bring to our clients: a deep understanding of their businesses, a commitment to their goals, and a constant drive to innovate so they’re ready for what’s next.”

The publication also recognized 44 Fennemore attorneys as “Ones to Watch” for 2027, spotlighting our rising legal talent that are fewer than 10 years in practice. Only about 2% of eligible attorneys in the country receive this honor.

Eleven Fennemore attorneys were listed as a Best Lawyers in America® 2027 “Lawyer of the Year,” where only one attorney from each practice and metropolitan area is recognized:

Oakland, CA

- [Patricia E. Curtin](#) - Real Estate Law

Phoenix, AZ

- [Robert D. Anderson](#) - Natural Resources Law
- [Christopher L. Callahan](#) - Product Liability Litigation - Defendants

- [Stephen A. Good](#) - Closely Held Companies and Family Businesses Law
- [T. James Lee](#) - Elder Law

Reno, NV

- [Leslie Bryan Hart](#) - Litigation - Real Estate
- [John D. Tennert III](#) - Litigation - Construction

Sacramento, CA

- [Belan Wagner](#) - Trusts and Estates

San Antonio, TX

- [Christine Reinhard](#) - Employment Law - Management

San Diego, CA

- [Christopher V. Hawkins](#) - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law

Seattle, WA

- [Stephen C. Willey](#) - Litigation - Intellectual Property

There are 147 Fennemore attorneys who earned recognition on the Best Lawyers in America® 2027 listings:

Denver, CO

- [January Allen](#) - Construction Law, Litigation - Construction
- [Cody C. Bourke](#) - Commercial Litigation, Natural Resources Law
- [James R. Cage](#) - Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Banking and Finance
- [Robert D. Comer](#) - Mining Law, Natural Resources Law, Oil and Gas Law
- [Bruce E. Dahl](#) - Copyright Law, Litigation – Patent, Patent Law, Trade Secrets Law, Trademark Law
- [Matt Dillman](#) - Real Estate Law
- [Georginne Dudash](#) - Real Estate Law
- [Andrew T. Flynn](#) - Insurance Law, Litigation - Insurance
- [Paul R. Franke III](#) - Banking and Finance Law, Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Real Estate

- [Anthony L. Giacomini](#) - Commercial Litigation, Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions – Plaintiffs, Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs
- [Arthur Griffin](#) - Real Estate Law
- [Paul W. Jordan](#) - Litigation - Real Estate
- [David Laird](#) - Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Real Estate
- [Eric B. Liebman](#) - Employment Law – Management, Ethics and Professional Responsibility Law, Franchise Law, Litigation - Banking and Finance, Litigation - Labor and Employment
- [Thomas M. List](#) - Land Use and Zoning Law, Real Estate Law
- [Charles F. Luce, Jr.](#) - Copyright Law, Ethics and Professional Responsibility Law, Trade Secrets Law, Trademark Law
- [John M. McHugh](#) - Commercial Litigation, Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions - Plaintiffs
- [Courtney A. McShane](#) - Real Estate Law
- [Merc Pittinos](#) - Litigation - Real Estate, Real Estate Law
- [Daniel M. Reilly](#) - Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Banking and Finance, Litigation – Bankruptcy, Litigation - Intellectual Property, Litigation - Trusts and Estates, Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions – Plaintiffs, Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs
- [Zaki Robbins](#) - Corporate Law, Real Estate Law
- [Nikki Roberts](#) - Real Estate Law
- [Christopher Scolari](#) - Tax Law, Trusts and Estates
- [Nicholas H. Thompson](#) - Tax Law
- [Tanner J. Walls](#) - Commercial Litigation
- [Edward “Ted” D. White](#) - Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships), Corporate Law, Leveraged Buyouts and Private Equity Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Securities / Capital Markets Law

Fennemore Forward

- [Kathleen M. Carr](#) - Energy Law, Environmental Law, Natural Resources Law, Water Law
- [Michael T. Hatting](#) - Real Estate Law
- [Howard W. Lind](#) - Real Estate Law
- [David McCarville](#) - Elder Law, Litigation - Trusts and Estates, Trusts and Estates
- [Derek Pfaff](#) - Energy Law, Real Estate Law
- [Douglas Tueller](#) - Real Estate Law

Fresno, CA

- [David Schneider](#) - Litigation - Real Estate
- [Daniel C. Stein](#) - Commercial Litigation

Inland Empire, CA

- [Kevin K. Randolph](#) - Land Use and Zoning Law

Las Vegas, NV

- [Chelsie A. Adams](#) - Commercial Litigation, Construction Law
- [Michael E. Buckley](#) - Banking and Finance Law, Commercial Finance Law, Real Estate Law
- [Chris H. Byrd](#) - Commercial Litigation, Construction Law, Litigation - Construction
- [Krisanne Cunningham](#) - Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships), Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Securities / Capital Markets Law
- [Mark A. Hawkins](#) - Commercial Finance Law, Construction Law, Corporate Law, Litigation - Real Estate, Real Estate Law
- [Enrique R. Schaerer](#) - Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Trusts and Estates
- [Christopher Walther](#) - Commercial Finance Law, Corporate Governance Law, Corporate Law, Real Estate Law
- [Jeffrey P. Zucker](#) - Corporate Governance Law, Corporate Law Real Estate Law

Nogales, AZ

- [Daniel Arana](#) - Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships)
- [Hector G. Arana](#) - Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships), International Trade and Finance Law, Tax Law
- [Kimberly A. Arana](#) - International Trade and Finance Law

Oakland, CA

- [C. Gregg Ankenman](#) - Real Estate Law
- [Sandi M. Colabianchi](#) - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- [Patricia E. Curtin](#) - Real Estate Law
- [Monica Dell'Osso](#) - Litigation - Trusts and Estates, Trusts and Estates
- [Tracy Green](#) - Litigation - Bankruptcy
- [Kevin Rodriguez](#) - Litigation - Trusts and Estates

Orange County, CA

- [Katherine A. Bowles](#) - Health Care Law

Phoenix, AZ

- [Thomas W. Aldous Jr.](#) - Trusts and Estates
- [Robert D. Anderson](#) - Animal Law, Energy Law, Environmental Law, Natural Resources Law, Water Law
- [Anthony W. Austin](#) - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Litigation - Bankruptcy
- [David Barton](#) - Commercial Litigation, Labor Law – Management, Litigation - Labor and Employment
- [Timothy J. Berg](#) - Administrative / Regulatory Law Appellate Practice, Bet-the-Company Litigation, Communications Law, Energy Law, Litigation – Municipal, Litigation - Regulatory Enforcement (SEC, Telecom, Energy), Utilities Law
- [John D. Bethea](#) - Commercial Finance Law, Real Estate Law
- [Rhett A. Billingsley](#) - Environmental Law, Mining Law, Water Law
- [Patrick J. Black](#) - Energy Law, Energy Regulatory Law, Utilities Law
- [Jim Bond](#) - Real Estate Law
- [Kevin J. Bonner](#) - Commercial Litigation, Construction Law, Litigation - Construction
- [Christopher L. Callahan](#) - Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Environmental, Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions – Defendants, Product Liability Litigation - Defendants
- [Kathleen Callaway](#) - Elder Law, Litigation - Trusts and Estates, Trusts and Estates
- [Lauren “Larry” J. Caster](#) - Litigation – Environmental, Natural Resources Law, Water Law
- [Ryan Curtis](#) - Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law
- [Samuel Efird](#) - Corporate Law, Tax Law
- [Margaret R. Gallogly](#) - Natural Resources Law, Water Law
- [Alexis J. Glascock](#) - Administrative / Regulatory Law, Government Relations Practice
- [James C. Golden](#) - Commercial Litigation, Construction Law, Litigation - Construction
- [J. Christopher Gooch](#) - Commercial Litigation, Construction Law
- [Stephen A. Good](#) - Closely Held Companies and Family Businesses Law, Corporate Law, Tax Law

- [James Goodnow](#) - Commercial Litigation, Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs
- [Roger L. Heywood](#) - Tax Law
- [Sean T. Hood](#) - Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Environmental, Water Law
- [Patrick Irvine](#) - Administrative / Regulatory Law, Appellate Practice, Native American Law, Tax Law
- [Janet E. Jackim](#) - Corporate Law, Real Estate Law
- [John R. Jefferies](#) - Commercial Litigation, Construction Law, Litigation – Construction, Litigation - Real Estate
- [John Kaite](#) - Government Relations Practice
- [Michael Kitchen, Jr.](#) - Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Trusts and Estates
- [William G. Klain](#) - Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation
- [Jay S. Kramer](#) - Litigation - Real Estate, Project Finance Law, Real Estate Law
- [Robert J. Kramer](#) - Environmental Law, Natural Resources Law
- [Lindsay G. Leavitt](#) - Commercial Litigation, Employment Law - Management
- [T. James Lee](#) - Elder Law, Litigation - Trusts and Estates, Tax Law, Trusts and Estates
- [Hope E. Leibsohn](#) - Trusts and Estates
- [Heather A. Macre](#) - Administrative / Regulatory Law, Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Health Care Law
- [Andrea L. Marconi](#) - Commercial Finance Law, Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Banking and Finance, Litigation - Real Estate
- [Thomas J. Morgan](#) - Litigation – Securities, Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- [Mark A. Nesvig](#) - Real Estate Law
- [John C. Norling](#) - Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships), Closely Held Companies and Family Businesses Law, Commercial Finance Law, Corporate Law, Real Estate Law
- [Douglas C. Northup](#) - Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Real Estate, Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions – Defendants, Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants, Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs
- [Travis A. Pacheco](#) - Labor Law – Management, Litigation - Labor and Employment
- [John M. Pearce](#) - Environmental Law, Litigation - Environmental
- [Debra J. Polly](#) - Litigation - Trusts and Estates, Tax Law, Trusts and Estates
- [Bruna Pedrini](#) - Labor Law - Management

- [Jeffrey S. Pitcher](#) - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Commercial Finance Law, Project Finance Law, Real Estate Law
- [Jessica L. Post](#) - Labor Law – Management, Litigation - Labor and Employment
- [Janice Procter-Murphy](#) - Appellate Practice, Employment Law – Management, Litigation - Labor and Employment
- [Cathy L. Reece](#) - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Litigation - Bankruptcy
- [Susan Stone Rosenfield](#) - Biotechnology and Life Sciences Practice, Patent Law, Trademark Law
- [Sean M. Sabo](#) - Real Estate Law
- [Gerald L. Shelley](#) - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Litigation - Bankruptcy
- [J. Barry Shelley](#) - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Corporate Law, Tax Law
- [Stacie K. Smith](#) - Litigation - Intellectual Property, Trade Secrets Law
- [Jennifer Szkatulski](#) - Tax Law, Trusts and Estates
- [Stephanie Tribe](#) - Litigation - Trusts and Estates, Trusts and Estates
- [Emily Ward](#) - Appellate Practice, Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Real Estate
- [Susan M. Wissink](#) - Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships), Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Real Estate Law

Reno, NV

- [Wade Beavers](#) - Banking and Finance Law
- [William C. Davis, Jr.](#) - Construction Law, Real Estate Law
- [Colleen A. Dolan](#) - Commercial Transactions / UCC Law, Corporate Law, Real Estate Law
- [Leslie Bryan Hart](#) - Commercial Litigation, Commercial Transactions / UCC Law, Litigation - Banking and Finance, Litigation - Labor and Employment, Litigation - Real Estate
- [David Lewandowski](#) - Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- [Courtney Miller O'Mara](#) - Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Bankruptcy, Litigation - Real Estate, Litigation - Trusts and Estates
- [Shannon Pierce](#) - Employment Law – Management, Litigation - Labor and Employment

- [Dan R. Reaser](#) - Administrative / Regulatory Law, Banking and Finance Law, Energy Law, Energy Regulatory Law, Gaming Law, Leisure and Hospitality Law
- [Therese Shanks](#) - Appellate Practice, Commercial Litigation
- [John D. Tennert III](#) - Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Construction, Litigation - Environmental

Sacramento, CA

- [Carl Blaine](#) – Real Estate Law
- [Jenni Harmon](#) - Trusts and Estates
- [Cameron Hess](#) - Tax Law
- [Robin L. Klomparens](#) - Litigation - Trusts and Estates, Tax Law, Trusts and Estates
- [Belan Wagner](#) - Real Estate Law, Tax Law, Trusts and Estates
- [Minna Yang](#) - Tax Law, Trusts and Estates
- [Douglas Youmans](#) – Real Estate Law, Tax Law

San Antonio, TX

- [Christine Reinhard](#) - Employment Law – Management, Labor Law – Management, Litigation - Labor and Employment
- [Shannon B. Schmoyer](#) - Employment Law – Management, Labor Law – Management, Litigation - Labor and Employment
- [John A. Ferguson, Jr.](#) - Employment Law – Management, Labor Law – Management, Litigation - Labor and Employment

San Diego, CA

- [Robert Allenby](#) - Litigation – Insurance, Litigation - Construction
- [Kathleen Cashman-Kramer](#) - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Litigation - Bankruptcy
- [Timothy C. Earl](#) - Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Construction, Litigation – Insurance, Litigation - Real Estate, Insurance Law
- [Jerome A. Grossman](#) - Securitization and Structured Finance Law
- [Christopher V. Hawkins](#) - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Commercial Litigation
- [James P. Hill](#) - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Bankruptcy, Real Estate Law
- [Sharon A. Huerta](#) - Insurance Law

- [Leigh McGough](#) - Real Estate Law
- [Donald G. Rez](#) - Commercial Litigation
- [Gary B. Rudolph](#) - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- [Sarah A. Strunk](#) - Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Mining Law, Securities / Capital Markets Law, Securities Regulation
- [Shannon Sweeney](#) - Commercial Litigation
- [Matthew Wilcox](#) - Corporate Law

Seattle, WA

- [Brandi Balanda](#) - Commercial Litigation
- [Michael E. Chait](#) - Commercial Litigation
- [Duncan E. Manville](#) - Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Labor and Employment
- [Stephen C. Willey](#) - Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Intellectual Property, Litigation - Real Estate

Forty-four Fennemore attorneys earned recognition on the *Best Lawyers in America*®, “Ones to Watch” 2027 listings:

Denver, CO

- [Lexie Davis](#) - Commercial Litigation
- [Amy L. Jones](#) - Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Intellectual Property, Litigation - Securities
- [Maximillian J. Pascowicz](#) - Construction Law

Fresno, CA

- [Eric Gee](#) - Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships), Health Care Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- [Brandin Inouye](#) - Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships), Corporate Law, Intellectual Property Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- [WM. Lanier Thomas](#) - Trusts and Estates
- [Joseph Zimmerl](#) - Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships), Corporate Law, Project Finance Law, Trusts and Estates

Inland Empire, CA

- [Rachel Greenberg](#) - Corporate Law, Real Estate Law, Tax Law

Oakland, CA

- [Angela Han](#) - Commercial Litigation, Health Care Law
- [Darien Key](#) - Land Use and Zoning Law, Natural Resources Law
- [David Monsour](#) - Litigation - Trusts and Estates, Trusts and Estates
- [Travis Thompson](#) - Litigation and Controversy – Tax, Tax Law

Phoenix, AZ

- [Josh Bethea](#) - Trusts and Estates
- [Sabrina Bigelow](#) - Real Estate Law
- [Brandon Blakely](#) - Tax Law, Trusts and Estates
- [Christine Burns](#) - Commercial Litigation
- [Tyler Carlton](#) - Litigation – Bankruptcy, Litigation - Labor and Employment
- [Nyla Hightower](#) - Commercial Litigation
- [Dylan Johnson](#) - Trusts and Estates
- [Lyndsey Maasch](#) - Health Care Law, Commercial Litigation
- [Alexandra Miller](#) - Commercial Litigation
- [Shane Parker](#) - Corporate Law
- [Stacy Porché](#) - Litigation - Bankruptcy
- [Alison Pulaski Carter](#) - Commercial Litigation
- [Justin A. Robles](#) - Construction Law, Litigation - Construction
- [Zachary W. Rosenberg](#) - Commercial Litigation
- [David Sieck](#) - Labor and Employment Law – Management
- [Kaitlyn E. Smith](#) - Commercial Litigation, Energy Law, Natural Resources Law
- [Joe Striler](#) - Real Estate Law
- [Savannah Wix](#) - Administrative / Regulatory Law

Reno, NV

- [Austin Slaughter](#) - Commercial Litigation
- [MaryJo Smart Pinocchio](#) - Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Intellectual Property
- [Craig Weaver](#) - Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law

Sacramento, CA

- [Miranda Freeman](#) - Tax Law, Trusts and Estates
- [Jessica Herrera](#) - Tax Law

San Antonio, TX

- [Abigail M. Orgeron](#) - Labor and Employment Law – Management, Litigation - Labor and Employment
- [Lauren Howell](#) - Labor and Employment Law – Management, Litigation - Labor and Employment

San Diego, CA

- [Sabrina Hernandez](#) - Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Trusts and Estates
- [Kate Park Hong](#) - Real Estate Law

Santa Barbara, CA

- [Lisa Faye Petak](#) - Trusts and Estates

Seattle, WA

- [Brian Nadler](#) - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Commercial Litigation
- [Breena Roos](#) - Commercial Litigation

Spokane, WA

- [Joanna Puryear](#) - Trusts and Estates
- [Nathan Sargent](#) - Commercial Litigation

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For more than 140 years, Am Law 200 law firm Fennemore has been blazing a trail of legal entrepreneurship. With an unrelenting commitment to innovation, collaboration, and people, Fennemore partners with businesses across the country to position them ahead of the competition. From pioneering the use of cutting-edge AI to building platforms that supercharge its teams, Fennemore is not just keeping pace—it's accelerating ahead. With a storied history of client success and industry-leading job satisfaction, Fennemore is redefining what's possible in the legal industry. For more information, visit FennemoreLaw.com.