

Winstead's Attorneys Rank High in Chambers USA: 26 Attorneys and Six Practice Areas Ranked for 2012

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Dallas, June 11, 2012 — Winstead's reputation for providing quality legal services to clients in banking and finance, real estate, construction, environmental, insurance, and tax has once again been recognized in Chambers USA. This year's annual publication ranked Winstead's real estate and construction practice groups in band 1 for Texas law firms, and Winstead's banking and finance, environment, insurance, and tax practice groups were ranked in bands 2-4. Chambers USA is published by Chambers and Partners, a premier guide to the legal profession. Each year, Chambers conducts in-depth research and interviews with clients and attorneys throughout the United States to identify the top lawyers in various practice areas. Law firms and individual lawyers are ranked in bands from 1-6, with 1 being the best. A 'Star' ranking is given to lawyers with exceptional recommendations in their field. Inclusion in Chambers USA is based completely on the research and peer interviews conducted and cannot be initiated by a firm or attorney. The 2012 Chambers USA edition features 26 Winstead attorneys from 11 different practice areas, ranked among the top attorneys of their field in Texas.

Winstead Shareholder Ron Moss was ranked in Band 1 for energy: state regulatory and litigation (electricity), and shareholder Robert Bass received a 'Star' ranking for Construction.

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[Mike Hilliard](#) - banking and finance

[Mary Keller](#) - Insurance; Insurance: regulation

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forward by legal practices, interviews during the course of research, as well as from their own database resources.

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