

The Legends

To commemorate Lawdragon's 10th anniversary, we are recognizing the 50 lawyers who have made the Lawdragon 500 Leading Lawyers in America each year it has been published.

These 50 symbolize the essence of the Lawdragon 500 from 2005 to 2015 – a time of tremendous upheaval in our communities, institutions and world. From the War on Terror, to the passing of Chief Justice Rehnquist to Hurricane Katrina to the financial collapse and its aftermath, these 50 stood the test of time.

They are larger than life, mythical even. Some are world-renowned, others the magicians of a smaller realm, but no less symbolic of the power of the law to change lives, move mountains, shape economies and bring about that thing that unites us: justice.



Evan Chesler

CRAVATH - NEW YORK

The chairman of the nation's most elite firm is as revered a litigator as any in the country.

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Richard Clary

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He has a permanent place on the short list for banks and corporations facing their most difficult cases.

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Kris Heinzelman

CRAVATH - NEW YORK

Year after year, the chair of Cravath's securities practice has been at the top of the list for corporate finance transactions.

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John White
CRAVATH - NEW YORK

The chair of the esteemed corporate governance group at Cravath knows his way around SEC regulations, having authored many of them.

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