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## 80 Baker Donelson Attorneys Ranked in *Chambers USA* 2021

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Eighty attorneys from Baker Donelson have been ranked as leading practitioners in the recently released 2021 edition of *Chambers USA*, a highly regarded directory of America's leading lawyers for business. *Chambers USA* also recognized the Firm's health law practice among its nationwide elite health practices, and 27 of the Firm's practice areas were ranked as leading statewide practices.

Considered a cornerstone directory whose listings are given much weight among business leaders selecting legal counsel, *Chambers USA* ranks law firm practice areas and individual attorneys based on research conducted by the directory's team of researchers, including in-depth interviews with clients and attorneys.

### Attorney Rankings

#### Antitrust

- Kyle A. Diamantas (Florida, Band 2)
- Hal K. Litchford (Florida, Band 1)

#### Appellate Litigation

- Amy L. Champagne (Mississippi, Band 2)

#### Banking and Finance

- Steven J. Eisen (Tennessee, Band 2)
- Jackie Prester (Tennessee, Band 3)

#### Banking and Finance: Regulatory

- Steven J. Eisen (Tennessee, Band 1)

#### Bankruptcy/Restructuring

- Edward H. "Hank" Arnold III (Louisiana, Band 3)
- Matthew M. Cahill (Alabama, Band 3)
- Dan Carrigan (Washington, D.C., Band 4)
- E. Franklin Childress Jr. (Tennessee, Band 1)
- Jan M. Hayden (Louisiana, Band 1)
- Timothy M. Lupinacci (Alabama, Eminent Practitioner)
- John McJunkin (Washington, D.C., Band 4)
- Eric L. Pruitt (Alabama, Band 3)
- Lacey Rochester (Louisiana, Star Associate)

#### Construction

- Matthew "Matt" Emmons (Louisiana, Band 3)
- Mark W. Frilot (Louisiana, Band 2)
- Kevin R. Garrison (Alabama, Up and Coming)
- Linda A. Klein (Georgia, Band 3)
- Joseph C. Kovars (Maryland, Spotlight Table)
- David Kurtz (Louisiana, Band 2)
- Mark W. Mercante (Louisiana, Band 1)
- J. Ben Shapiro (Georgia, Senior Statesperson)
- John A. Wolf (Maryland, Spotlight Table)

## **Corporate/Commercial**

- William S. Painter (Mississippi, Senior Statesperson)

## **Corporate/Mergers and Acquisitions**

- Kenneth B. Abel (Maryland, Band 2)
- Tonya Mitchem Grindon (Tennessee, Band 2)
- Noah Kressler (Louisiana, Band 3)

## **Energy and Natural Resources: Oil and Gas**

- Kenneth M. Klemm (Louisiana, Band 2)
- Adam Zuckerman (Louisiana, Band 2)

## **Environment**

- Michael T. Dawkins (Mississippi, Band 3)
- Ralph A. DeMeo (Florida, Band 1)
- Gary C. Shockley (Tennessee, Band 3)

## **Gaming and Licensing**

- Amy K. Elder (Mississippi, Band 2)

## **General Commercial Litigation**

- Sheryl Bey (Mississippi, Band 3)
- Brigid M. Carpenter (Tennessee, Band 3)
- Roy C. Cheatwood (Louisiana, Band 1)
- Nancy Scott Degan (Louisiana, Band 2)
- John S. Hicks (Tennessee, Band 2)
- Linda A. Klein (Georgia, Band 4)
- Kent A. Lambert (Louisiana, Band 2)
- Scott W. Pedigo (Mississippi, Band 4)
- William N. Reed (Mississippi, Band 3)
- Gary C. Shockley (Tennessee, Band 2)
- J. Carter Thompson (Mississippi, Band 2)

## **Healthcare**

- Thomas William Baker (Georgia, Band 4)
- Ashby Q. Burks (Tennessee, Band 2)
- Joe W. Campbell (Alabama, Band 3)
- Richard G. Cowart (Tennessee, Band 1)
- Sean Finan (Louisiana, Band 3)
- S. Craig Holden (Maryland, Band 1)
- Julie Kass (Maryland, Band 3)
- John J. "Jeff" Miles (Washington, D.C., Senior Statesperson)
- Howard L. Sollins (Maryland, Band 1)
- Sanford V. Teplitzky (Maryland, Star Individual)
- Michelle A. Williams (Georgia, Band 2)

## Intellectual Property

- Emily R. Billig (Maryland, Associate to Watch)
- Susan A. Russell (Georgia, Band 4)

## Labor and Employment

- Jennifer L. Anderson (Louisiana, Band 2)
- Jenna M. Bedsole (Alabama, Band 4)
- Phyllis G. Cancienne (Louisiana, Band 2)
- Angie Davis (Tennessee, Band 3)
- David Gevertz (Georgia, Band 3)
- Steven F. Griffith Jr. (Louisiana, Band 2)
- Amelia "Mimi" Williams Koch (Louisiana, Band 3)
- Erin Pelleteri Howser (Louisiana, Up and Coming)
- M. Kim Vance (Tennessee, Band 3)
- Christine M. White (Louisiana, Band 3)

## Marine Finance

- Edward H. "Hank" Arnold III (Louisiana, Band 1)

## Medical Malpractice Defense Litigation

- Christy Tosh Crider (Tennessee, Band 2)

## Real Estate

- Kenneth P. "Pete" Ezell Jr. (Tennessee, Band 1)
- John A. Gupton III (Tennessee, Senior Statesperson)
- Matthew T. Harris (Tennessee, Band 3)
- H. Chervis Isom (Alabama, Senior Statesperson)
- Denise W. Killebrew (Alabama, Band 2)
- Jon F. "Chip" Leyens (Louisiana, Band 3)
- William S. Mendenhall (Mississippi, Band 3)
- David A. Rueff Jr. (Mississippi, Band 3)
- William R. Sylvester (Alabama, Band 3)
- Ginger Weaver (Mississippi, Band 3)

## Tax

- Nedom A. Haley (Georgia, Band 3)
- Robert L. Wollfarth (Louisiana, Band 1)

## White-Collar Crime and Government Investigations Litigation

- Ty Kelly (Maryland, Band 1)
- Joe D. Whitley (Georgia, Band 3)

## Practice Group Rankings

### Antitrust

- Florida (Band 2)

### Banking and Finance

- Tennessee (Band 2)

### Bankruptcy/Restructuring

- Alabama (Band 2)
- Georgia (Band 4)
- Louisiana (Band 2)

### Construction

- Alabama (Band 1)
- Louisiana (Band 1)

### Corporate/Commercial

- Alabama (Band 3)
- Mississippi (Band 2)

### Corporate/Mergers and Acquisitions

- Maryland (Band 3)
- Tennessee (Band 2)

### Energy and Natural Resources: Oil and Gas

- Louisiana (Band 2)

### Environment

- Tennessee (Band 3)

### General Commercial Litigation

- Louisiana (Band 1)
- Mississippi (Band 2)
- Tennessee (Band 2)

## **Healthcare**

- Georgia (Band 3)
- Louisiana (Band 2)
- Maryland (Band 1)
- Nationwide (The Elite, Band 3)
- Tennessee (Band 2)
- Washington, D.C. (Band 4)

## **Labor and Employment**

- Louisiana (Band 2)
- Mississippi (Band 2)
- Tennessee (Band 2)

## **Real Estate**

- Alabama (Band 2)
- Mississippi (Band 2)
- Tennessee (Band 2)