



27 CUMMINGS & LOCKWOOD ATTORNEYS SELECTED FOR INCLUSION ON THE LIST OF SUPER LAWYERS AND RISING STARS IN 2026

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Cummings & Lockwood is pleased to announce that 27 of our attorneys have been selected for inclusion on the list of 2026 Super Lawyers and Rising Stars in Connecticut and Florida.

18 attorneys were selected for the Super Lawyers list, which is an exclusive list recognizing the top 5% of attorneys in each state, and 9 attorneys were selected for the Rising Stars list, recognizing the top 2.5% of attorneys in each state who are either 40 years old or younger or in practice for 10 years or less..

In addition, Laura W. Beck has been recognized among the top 25 women attorneys in Connecticut, and Charles W. Pieterse has been selected among the top 50 attorneys in Connecticut.

"I am proud that so many of our attorneys have been recognized for their professional achievements in their areas of law," noted Laura W. Beck, Chairman and Managing Director of Cummings & Lockwood.

Following are the Cummings & Lockwood attorneys recognized by state and practice area:

Connecticut

Greenwich Office

- Laura W. Beck, Principal, Estate & Probate, and Top 25 Women Attorney in Connecticut
- Amanda E. Carino, Associate, Estate & Trust Litigation (Rising Star)
- Katherine Gent, Principal, Estate & Probate (Rising Star)
- Kelsie C. Leon, Principal, Estate & Probate (Rising Star)

Stamford Office

- John W. Cannavino, Principal, Business Litigation
- John F. Carberry, Principal, Civil Litigation Defense
- Daniel G. Johnson, Principal, Estate & Probate
- Michael P. Kaelin, Principal, Estate & Trust Litigation
- Charles W. Pieterse, Principal, Estate & Trust Litigation and Top 50 Attorney in Connecticut
- Rachel B.G. Sherman, Principal, Estate & Probate
- William Wright, Principal, Business Litigation
- Wyatt R. Jansen, Principal, Business Litigation (Rising Star)
- Jake H. Golicz, Associate, Civil Litigation Defense, (Rising Star)
- Cassandra Pomarico, Associate, Business Litigation (Rising Star)

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- Kara A. Zarchin, Associate, Civil Litigation (Rising Star)

West Hartford Office

- Paul L. Bourdeau, Principal, Estate & Probate
- Caroline Demirs Calio, Principal, Estate & Probate
- Kelley Galica Peck, Principal, Estate & Probate
- Heather J. Rhoades, Principal, Estate & Probate
- Michelle L. Beyer, Associate, Estate & Probate (Rising Star)

Florida

Naples Office

- Todd L. Bradley, Principal, Estate & Probate
- Alison K. Douglas, Principal, Estate & Probate
- Robert L. Lancaster, Principal, Estate & Probate

Bonita Springs Office

- Mary Beth Crawford, Principal, Estate & Probate
- William Horowitz, Principal, Estate & Probate
- Howard M. Hujsa, Principal, Estate & Probate
- Bonie S. Montalvo, Associate, Estate & Probate (Rising Star)

About Cummings & Lockwood LLC

Founded in 1909, Cummings & Lockwood provides sophisticated legal counsel to high net worth individuals and families, family offices, closely held businesses, charitable entities and other commercial enterprises. Our core practice area is private clients | trusts and estates, which is supported by our corporate and finance, litigation and arbitration, and residential and commercial real estate practices.

The firm has over 200 attorneys, fiduciary accountants, paralegals and staff, as well as six offices located in Stamford, Greenwich and West Hartford, Connecticut, and in Naples, Bonita Springs and Palm Beach Gardens, Florida. While many of our clients reside in Connecticut, New York and Florida, we have clients in nearly all 50 U.S. states and in over 20 countries around the world.

About Super Lawyers

Super Lawyers is a rating service of outstanding lawyers who have attained a high-degree of peer recognition and professional achievement. Their patented attorney selection process is peer influenced and research driven, selecting the top 5% of attorneys to the Super Lawyers list each year. In addition, 2.5% of attorneys are selected to Rising Stars. Candidates are eligible for Rising Stars if they are 40 or younger, or have been in practice 10 years or less.

Super Lawyers selects attorneys using a patented multiphase selection process. Peer nominations and evaluations are combined with independent research. Each candidate is evaluated on 12 indicators of peer recognition and professional achievement. Selections are made on an annual, state-by-state basis. The objective is to create a credible, comprehensive and diverse listing of outstanding attorneys that can be used as a resource for attorneys and consumers searching for legal counsel. Since Super Lawyers is intended to be used as an aid in selecting a lawyer, they limit the lawyer ratings to those who can be hired and retained by the public.