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31 Shartsis Frieze Lawyers Recognized by *The Best Lawyers in America*® for 2026

San Francisco, August 21, 2025: Shartsis Frieze LLP is pleased to announce that twenty-six of the firm's lawyers are included in the 2026 Edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*® and that five of the firm's lawyers are selected for the *The Best Lawyers' Ones to Watch*® list.

Since it was first published in 1983, *Best Lawyers* has become widely regarded as a definitive guide to legal excellence.

"As a national peer-reviewed and recommended lawyers guide, *Best Lawyers* provides an important standard of excellence in the legal profession," said Neil Koren, the firm's managing partner. "We are extremely proud of our colleagues who were singled out for recognition by *Best Lawyers* for 2026."

Representing nine different practice areas, the following twenty-six Shartsis Frieze attorneys were named to 2026 *The Best Lawyers in America*® list:

- **Peter Aitelli:** Real Estate Law
- **Derek Boswell:** Real Estate Law
- **Kathy Bryski:** Real Estate Law
- **Frank Cialone:** Litigation – Trusts & Estates
- **David Egdal:** Real Estate Law
- **Craig B. Etlin:** Real Estate Law
- **Jodi Fedor:** Real Estate Law
- **Erick C. Howard:** Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Intellectual Property
- **Melissa S. Hung:** Trusts & Estates
- **Florence M. Jao:** Trusts & Estates
- **Ivo Keller:** Bankruptcy and Creditor/Debtor Rights, Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- **Jonathan M. Kennedy:** Real Estate Law
- **Richard S. Kinyon:** Trusts and Estates, Litigation – Trusts and Estates
- **David H. Kremer:** Real Estate Law
- **Anthony Leuin:** Insurance Law
- **Joseph V. Mauch:** Commercial Litigation
- **Patrick R. McCabe:** Tax Law, Trusts and Estates
- **Larisa A. Meisenheimer:** Commercial Litigation
- **Jahan P. Raissi:** Litigation – Regulatory Enforcement (SEC, Telecom, Energy)
- **Alan J. Robin:** Real Estate Law

- **April Hopkins Rox:** Trusts and Estates
- **Arthur J. Shartsis:** Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Criminal Defense - White-Collar
- **Paul P. (“Skip”) Spaulding:** Environmental Law, Litigation – Environmental
- **John J. Stein:** Litigation – Trusts & Estates
- **Danielle Zaragoza:** Trusts & Estates
- **Joel Zeldin** – Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Real Estate Law

The following five Shartsis Friese attorneys were named to 2026 *The Best Lawyers* “Ones to Watch[®]” list:

- **Tess Brandwein:** Real Estate Law
- **Sergio Broholm:** Corporate Law
- **Mark E. Mullin:** Tax Law, Trusts & Estates
- **Annie Nguyen:** Commercial Litigation
- **Suzy Orza:** Commercial Litigation

Shartsis Friese makes high-quality legal services attainable for sophisticated middle-market companies, investment advisers and funds, family offices, and high-net-worth individuals. Many clients rely on the firm for its deep experience in key areas, including high-stakes litigation, securities enforcement defense, corporate and real estate transactions, taxation, and wealth and estate planning.