

Seven Babst Calland Attorneys Named as 2026 Best Lawyers® “Lawyer of the Year”, 47 Selected for Inclusion in the The Best Lawyers in America®, and Four Named to Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America

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Pittsburgh, PA, Charleston, WV, and Washington, DC

Babst Calland is pleased to announce that seven lawyers were selected as **2026 Best Lawyers®** “**Lawyer of the Year**” in Pittsburgh, Pa. and Charleston, W. Va. (by BL Rankings). Only a single lawyer in each practice area and designated metropolitan area is honored as the “Lawyer of the Year,” making this accolade particularly significant.

Receiving this designation reflects the high level of respect a lawyer has earned among other leading lawyers in the same communities and the same practice areas for their abilities, professionalism, and integrity. Those named to the 2026 Best Lawyers® “Lawyer of the Year” include:

Joseph G. Bunn – Mining “Lawyer of the Year” in Charleston, W. Va.

Kevin J. Garber – Natural Resources “Lawyer of the Year” in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Jennifer J. Hicks – Energy “Lawyer of the Year” in Charleston, W. Va.

Robert Max Junker – Municipal “Lawyer of the Year” in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Jean M. Mosites – Environmental “Lawyer of the Year” in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Mychal S. Schulz – Litigation – ERISA “Lawyer of the Year” in Charleston, W. Va.

Steven B. Silverman – Information Technology “Lawyer of the Year” in Pittsburgh, Pa.

View the award recipients [here](#).

In addition, 47 Babst Calland lawyers were selected for inclusion in the 2026 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*®, the most respected peer-reviewed publications in the legal profession:

- **Chester R. Babst III** – Environmental Law, Litigation – Environmental
- **Donald C. Bluedorn II** – Environmental Law, Litigation – Environmental, Water Law
- **Lisa Bruderly** – Energy Law
- **Joseph G. Bunn** – Banking and Finance Law, Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships), Commercial Transactions / UCC Law, Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Mining Law, Securitization and Structured Finance Law
- **A. A. Moore Capito** – Corporate Law and Energy Law
- **Matthew S. Casto** – Commercial Litigation, Energy Law, Litigation – Environmental
- **Frank J. Clements** – Corporate Law
- **Kathy K. Condo** – Commercial Litigation, Energy Law
- **James V. Corbelli** – Commercial Litigation, Energy Law, Litigation – Environmental, Litigation – Regulatory Enforcement (SEC, Telecom, Energy)

- **Casey A. Coyle** – Administrative / Regulatory Law and Appellate Practice
- **James Curry** – Energy Law, Oil and Gas Law
- **Mark K. Dausch** – Commercial Litigation
- **Julie R. Domike** – Environmental Law, Litigation – Environmental
- **Kevin K. Douglass** – Commercial Litigation, Energy Law, Natural Resources Law
- **Christian A. Farmakis** – Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Real Estate Law
- **Marc J. Felezzola** – Construction Law, Litigation – Construction
- **Kevin J. Garber** – Energy Law, Environmental Law, Litigation – Environmental, Natural Resources Law, and Water Law
- **Alyssa Golfieri** – Real Estate Law
- **Steven M. Green** – Energy Law
- **Jennifer Hicks** – Commercial Litigation, Energy Law, Litigation – Regulatory Enforcement (SEC, Telecom, Energy)
- **Lindsay P. Howard** – Environmental Law, Litigation – Environmental
- **Robert Max Junker** – Land Use and Zoning Law, Municipal Law
- **Justine Kasznica** – Corporate Law
- **Sean R. Keegan** – Litigation – Labor and Employment
- **Stephen L. Korbel** – Litigation – Labor and Employment
- **Blaine A. Lucas** – Energy Law, Land Use and Zoning Law, Litigation – Land Use and Zoning, and Municipal Law
- **Ramonda C. Marling** – Oil and Gas Law
- **John A. McCreary Jr.** – Labor Law – Management
- **Sean M. McGovern** – Environmental Law
- **Timothy M. Miller** – Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Energy Law, Litigation – Environmental, Oil and Gas Law
- **Matthew Moses** – Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- **Jean M. Mosites** – Energy Law, Environmental Law
- **Christopher B. Power** – Arbitration, Commercial Litigation, Energy Law, Environmental Law, Litigation – Environmental, Litigation – Land Use and Zoning, Litigation – Municipal, Litigation – Regulatory Enforcement (SEC, Telecom, Energy), Mining Law, Natural Resources Law, Oil and Gas Law
- **Joseph K. Reinhart** – Energy Law, Environmental Law, Litigation – Environmental, Natural Resources Law
- **Bruce F. Rudoy** – Corporate Law
- **Charles F.W. Saffer** – Oil and Gas Law, Real Estate Law
- **Marnie S. Schock** – Corporate Law, Real Estate Law
- **Mychal Sommer Schulz** – Commercial Litigation, Litigation – ERISA, and Litigation – Labor and Employment
- **Mark D. Shepard** – Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Environmental, Mediation
- **Steven B. Silverman** – Commercial Litigation, Information Technology Law
- **Gary E. Steinbauer** – Litigation – Environmental
- **Laura Stone** – Corporate Law
- **Harlan S. Stone** – Municipal Law
- **Robert M. Stonestreet** – Commercial Litigation, Energy Law, Environmental Law
- **David E. White** – Construction Law, Litigation – Construction
- **Richard S. Wiedman** – Energy Regulatory Law
- **Michael H. Winek** – Environmental Law

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Four Babst Calland lawyers were also named to the *2026 Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America* which recognizes associates and other lawyers who are earlier in their careers for their outstanding professional excellence in private practice in the United States:

- **Andrew C. DeGory** – Commercial Litigation
- **Alexandra G. Farone** – Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Labor and Employment
- **Kristen L. Petrina** – Corporate Law, Technology Law
- **Christina M. Puhnaty** – Environmental Law

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