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Spencer Fane Attorneys and Practices Recognized in 2024 Chambers USA

The Firm's Environmental, Insurance, and Litigation Teams Honored

Spencer Fane is pleased to announce 20 of the firm's attorneys in 12 practice areas have been selected for inclusion in the 2024 edition of *Chambers USA*: *America's Leading Lawyers for Business*, including rankings at the state and national levels. In addition, three practices were each lauded, earning their own rankings.

As an example, the firm's environmental team was recognized by Chambers USA with clients remarking the firm is "renowned for its regulatory counseling and litigation" while advising clients on a range of environmental issues, including cleanup matters, compliance with the Clean Air Act and Clean Water Act and asbestos litigation.

Similarly, the firm's insurance group is featured as a group that is "equally adept at acting for insurers and insureds on complex first- and third-party insurance matters, boasting enviable litigation expertise spanning state, federal and appellate courts."

In a highly competitive category, members of the firm's litigation team earned high praise as "an experienced group of commercial litigators" handling a range of matters including contract disputes, unfair competition, trade secrets, and professional malpractice cases. The Chambers USA guide continued by sharing client comments about the group's responsiveness, including "I have always had a quick response and a high level of service from the attorneys" and "Everyone we dealt with, without exception, was professional, knowledgeable and helpful."

Chambers USA is a legal guide that recognizes the nation's leading lawyers who are selected using a research process that relies heavily on in-depth interviews and client feedback. Rankings in the U.S. directory are assessed on specific criteria, including technical legal ability, professional conduct, client service, commercial astuteness, diligence, commitment, and other qualities most valued by clients.

The firm was recognized in the following areas in 2024:

- **Environment**
  - Missouri: Kansas City & Surrounds – Band 2
- **Insurance**
  - Colorado – Band 1
- **Litigation: General Commercial**
  - Utah – Band 3

The following attorneys were recognized in 2024:

- **Corporate/M&A**
  - Raj Gangadean, Phoenix, AZ – Band 2
  - Mike McCann, Kansas City, MO – Band 3
- **Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation**
  - John Utz, Overland Park, KS – Band 1
- **Energy: State Regulatory & Litigation (Electricity)**
  - Catherine Webking, Austin, TX – Band 2
- **Environment**
  - Andrew Brought, Kansas City, MO – Band 3
  - Jessica Merrigan, Kansas City, MO – Band 2
  - James Price, Kansas City, MO – Senior Statespeople
  - Kathleen Whitby, St. Louis, MO – Band 1
- **Environment: Water Rights**
  - Matthew Rojas, Phoenix, AZ – Band 2
- **Insurance**
  - Linda Knight, Denver, CO – Band 2
  - Jeremy Moseley, Denver, CO – Band 2
  - Terence Ridley, Denver, CO – Band 1
  - Evan Stephenson, Denver, CO – Band 2

- **Intellectual Property**
  - DJ Healey, National – Band 3; Houston, TX – Band 1
- **Labor & Employment**
  - Jonathon Watson, Denver, CO – Up and Coming
- **Litigation: General Commercial**
  - Nick Badgerow, Overland Park, KS – Band 3
  - Andrew Federhar, Phoenix, AZ – Band 4
- **Litigation: Mediators**
  - Nick Badgerow, Overland Park, KS – Band 1
- **Litigation: White-Collar Crime & Government Investigations**
  - Patrick McInerney, Kansas City, MO – Band 2
  - Edward Yarbrough, Nashville, TN – Senior Statespeople
- **Real Estate**
  - Lewis A Heaven Jr., Overland Park, KS – Band 1

View the firm's full Chambers 2024 rankings here.