

NEWS

## Sussman Shank Attorneys Recognized as 2024 Best Lawyers in America, Including Two Honored as “Lawyer of the Year”

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Sussman Shank LLP is proud to announce that ten of our attorneys have been named to the 2024 Edition of The Best Lawyers in America®, the oldest, most respected peer-review publication in the legal profession.

[Thomas Christ](#) was recognized by Best Lawyers® as the 2024 “Lawyer of the Year” for Litigation – First Amendment; and [Howard Levine](#) was named 2024 Best Lawyers® “Lawyer of the Year” for Litigation – Bankruptcy. The “Lawyer of the Year” award is reserved for only one attorney in each practice area and geographic region, 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, their professionalism, and their integrity.

In addition, [Tab Wood](#) has been included in the 2024 edition of Best Lawyers®: Ones to Watch for Commercial Litigation and Transportation Law. Best Lawyers®: Ones to Watch recognizes lawyers who are early in their careers for their outstanding professional excellence in private practice in the United States.

Congratulations to [Darin Honn](#) and [Matthew Parkin](#) for their first year being recognized in the Best Lawyers® list.

**Sussman Shank LLP 2024 Best Lawyers® – Portland,  
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[Aaron J. Besen](#) (recognized since 2015)

- Health Care Law

[Thomas M. Christ](#) (recognized since 1999)

- Appellate Practice
- Insurance Law
- Litigation – First Amendment – 2024 “Lawyer of the Year”

[Timothy J. Coleman](#) (recognized since 2014)

- Railroad Law

[Susan S. Ford](#) (recognized since 2011)

- Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- Commercial Litigation
- Litigation – Bankruptcy

[Darin Honn](#)

- Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships)

[Howard M. Levine](#) (recognized since 2014)

- Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- Bet-the-Company Litigation
- Litigation – Bankruptcy – 2024 “Lawyer of the Year”

[Jeffrey C. Misley](#) (recognized since 2014)

- Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- Litigation – Bankruptcy

[Matthew Parkin](#)

- Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- Tax Law

[Thomas W. Stilley](#) (recognized since 2014)

- Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- Commercial Transactions / UCC Law
- Litigation – Bankruptcy

## 2024 Best Lawyers: One to Watch

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[Tab Wood](#)

- Commercial Litigation



- Transportation Law

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Lawyers on The Best Lawyers in America list are divided by geographic region and practice areas. They are reviewed by their peers on the basis of professional expertise, and undergo an authentication process to make sure they are in current practice and in good standing.

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