

Warnings from the Top

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The Nation's Most Powerful Employment Attorneys—Top 10 for ERISA Law

Name/Title	Law Firm	City	Law School	Years in Practice	Practice Specialty
Rory Judd Albert Chair, Employee Benefit and Executive Compensation Group	Proskauer Rose	New York	Columbia	32	Employee benefits, ESOPS and executive compensation
Gregory C. Braden Partner	Morgan Lewis	Washington	University of Wisconsin	27	Complex employee benefits and ERISA fiduciary litigation, emphasizing class-action and multidistrict litigation
Mark E. Brossman Partner	Schulte Roth & Zabel	New York	New York University	31	Employment law, employee-benefits law, including ERISA, employment discrimination, labor relations, education law and litigation
Gregory K. Brown Partner	Katten	Chicago	University of Illinois	33	Employee benefits
Theodore R. Groom Principal	Groom Law Group	Washington	Harvard	49	Employee benefits, insurance company and financial product taxation, captive insurance-company formation, regulation and taxation
Michael A. Lawson Chair, Employee Benefits	Skadden	Los Angeles	Harvard	31	Executive compensation and employee benefits
Michael J. Nassau Partner	Kramer Levin	New York	Yale	49	Employee benefits and executive compensation
Paul J. Ondrasik Jr. Partner, Head of ERISA, Labor and Employment Group	Stephoe & Johnson	Washington	University of Virginia	32	ERISA defense, with particular emphasis on fiduciary responsibility, pre-emption matters and class-actions
Richard C. Shea Partner	Covington & Burling	Washington	University of Virginia	26	Employee benefits, especially strategic advice on design, regulation, legislation and litigation affecting sophisticated plan designs
Charles R. Smith Partner	K&L Gates	Pittsburgh	University of Pittsburgh	35	Corporate transactions involving ESOPs, fiduciary duties and executive compensation