

Rushton Stakely Earns Prestigious Tier 1 Ranking

Rushton, Stakely, Johnston & Garrett, P.A. is pleased to announce that it has once again earned top metropolitan rankings in the *U.S. News and Best Lawyers* "Best Law Firms" publication. Our firm has proudly served the Montgomery community and the State of Alabama for over 120 years, and we would like to thank our many devoted clients who have allowed us to achieve the prestigious Tier 1 ranking. The rankings are based on a rigorous evaluation process that includes the collection of client and lawyer evaluations, peer review from leading attorneys in their field, and review of additional information provided by law firms as part of the formal submission process. Law firms are evaluated on factors such as responsiveness, understanding of legal issues, understanding of client needs, cost-effectiveness, pro-bono commitment, and civility. We are very proud to report that our firm achieved the highest Tier 1 ranking in the following areas: Insurance Law, Litigation – Tax, Mediation, Medical Malpractice Law – Defendants, Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants, Real Estate Law, Tax Law, and Trusts & Estates Law. According to *U.S. News and Best Lawyers*, "achieving a high ranking is a special distinction that signals a unique combination of excellence and breadth of expertise."

In addition to the best firm rankings, the following members of our firm have been recognized as the best lawyers in their fields: Dennis R. Bailey, Jeffrey W. Blitz, L. Peyton Chapman, Ronald G. Davenport, William I. Eskridge, James W. Garrett, Jr., Richard B. Garrett, William S. Haynes, James Theodore Jackson, Jr., Paul M. James, Thomas H. Keene, Daniel L. Lindsey, Patrick M. Shegon, Christopher S. Simmons, Frank J. Stakely, Fred W. Tyson, Robert C. Ward, Jr., and Helen Crump Wells. Our mission is to continue to provide this top level of service throughout the State of Alabama in the coming years.