

NATIONAL MAGAZINE HONORS 20 LAWYERS FROM DEWITT ROSS & STEVENS

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Twenty lawyers from DeWitt Ross & Stevens have been named among the best in Wisconsin by the national publication Law & Politics. Based on survey results, 14 Super Lawyers and 6 Rising Stars from the law firm have been named to the fourth annual edition of Wisconsin Super Lawyers. DeWitt Ross & Stevens is a full-service law firm with offices in Madison and Metro Milwaukee.

Selected as Super Lawyers are Michael W. Wilcox, Anne T. Wadsack, Timm Speerschneider, Wrede H. "Bud" Smith, Ronald R. Ragatz, Todd E. Palmer, William E. McCardell, Eric A. Farnsworth, Stephen A. DiTullio, Michael R. Davis, Denis P. Bartell, Donald Leo Bach, and Brian L. Anderson, all of Madison, and Douglas H. Frazer, from the Metro Milwaukee office in Brookfield.

Selected as Rising Stars are Mindy Rowland Buenger, Jordan K. Lamb, Michele Perreault, Bradley W. Raaths, and Megan A. Senatori, all of Madison, and Jascha B. Walter, from the Metro Milwaukee office in Brookfield.

Wilcox is an estate planner regarded among the banking and legal industries as an authority on Wisconsin law in this area; Wadsack is a family lawyer recognized for her work in divorce and business litigation; Speerschneider is an environmental attorney versed especially in municipality and land use issues; Smith, with a special focus on family business, practices in estate planning and probate; Ragatz is an environmental litigator experienced in complex, multi-party cases; Palmer is an environmental lawyer and

lobbyist with a number of agriculture clients; McCardell is an employment and labor attorney with an emphasis in construction; Mayne, whose practice focuses on real estate and development, is recognized as a business/corporate lawyer; Farnsworth is a well-known personal injury and medical malpractice lawyer who secured one of Wisconsin's largest jury verdicts; Frazer is an attorney with a focus on tax controversy and litigation, environmental taxation, and tax planning. DiTullio, the firm's managing partner, practices in employment law with a special interest in handbooks and preventative measures; Davis, a personal injury attorney, focuses his practice on a wide range of plaintiff's personal injury, medical negligence, and wrongful death matters; Bartell, a bankruptcy law attorney and litigator also includes residential and commercial real estate development in his practice; Bach, an environmental attorney and litigator, includes water law issues in his practice; and Anderson practices in employee benefits, business law, tax law, nonprofit organizations, and estate planning.

Buenger is a litigator with a concentration on broad labor and employment issues, as well as appeals and general litigation; Lamb is a government relations and administrative law attorney who also addresses trademarks; Perreault is a family lawyer and litigator whose practice covers premarital agreements and adoptions to divorce and guardianship issues; Raaths is a business and corporate attorney who focuses his practice on tax and transaction issues; Senatori is a litigator



whose practice covers employment issues, appeals and general litigation, as well as animal and veterinary concerns; and Walter has a diverse practice that includes; mergers and acquisitions, business formation and operation, establishing and maintaining intellectual property rights, and assisting in taxation planning and advocacy.

Selection for Super Lawyer and Rising Star status involves peer nominations, a panel-review process, and independent research. Nominations from lawyers in other law firms carried more weight than nominations from lawyers in the same law firm. Each candidate's record was reviewed to assure good standing with the Wisconsin Supreme Court.

Only 5 percent of the total lawyers in Wisconsin were accorded this honor. All Super Lawyers and Rising Stars will be recognized in a special section of December issue of Milwaukee Magazine, as well as published in the Wisconsin Super Lawyers magazine/directory sent to lawyers in Wisconsin. In addition, all Super Lawyers are listed on the web site www.superlawyers.com. Produced by Law & Politics magazine, annual Super Lawyers surveys are now conducted in 48 states.

DeWitt Ross & Stevens has more than 85 attorneys who prevent or resolve problems affecting businesses, individuals and families. The statewide publication Corporate Report Wisconsin named DeWitt Ross & Stevens as one of the state's top law firms. For more information, visit www.dewittross.com.