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## 89 Locke Lord Lawyers in 10 U.S. Offices Named to The Best Lawyers in America® 2015 List; Dallas Partners John McKnight and Ray LaDriere Named Lawyers of the Year

**August 18, 2014** – Eighty-nine Locke Lord lawyers representing 10 U.S. offices have been selected by their peers for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America® 2015*, in recognition of excellence in their field.

Inclusion in the publication's rankings is gained through a national nomination and peer review process. This year's edition included eight Locke Lord lawyers listed for the first time.

Locke Lord Dallas Partners [John McKnight](#) and [Ray LaDriere](#) received the special designation of Lawyer of the Year in the 2015 edition. Each year just one lawyer in each practice area and designated metropolitan area earns this honor.

McKnight was named Lawyer of the Year in Corporate Law, while LaDriere earned the distinction for his work in ERISA Litigation.

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- [Stuart Bumpas](#) – Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law, Non-Profit / Charities Law, Trusts and Estates
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- [Paul Coggins](#) – Criminal Defense: White-Collar, Litigation - Regulatory Enforcement (SEC, Telecom, Energy)
- [Thomas Connop](#) – Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Bankruptcy
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- [Stephen Jacobs](#) – Real Estate Law
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- Stan Pieringer (Retired) – Banking and Finance Law
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- [Jonathan Bank](#) – Insurance Law
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