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Law360 Names 2026's Top Attorneys Under 40

Law360 (August 2, 2026, 8:00 PM EDT) -- Law360 is pleased to announce the Rising Stars of 2026, our list of more than 160 attorneys under 40 whose legal accomplishments belie their age.

After carefully reviewing over 1,100 submissions, our team of editors arrived at a list of Rising Stars who hail from more than 90 law firms and span 35 practice areas. Winners were selected based on their career accomplishments in their respective disciplines.

Covington & Burling LLP took the top spot with eight Rising Stars this year. Sullivan & Cromwell LLP and Kirkland & Ellis LLP followed with six Rising Stars. Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP and Sidley Austin LLP each have five apiece.

Congratulations to this year's Rising Stars.

Appellate

David J. Feder • Jones Day
Charles Fowler • McKool Smith
Masha Hansford • Davis Polk
Robert Niles-Weed • Weil
Jo-Ann Sagar • Hogan Lovells
Kelsi Stayart White • Ahmad Zavitsanos

Banking

Jessie Chiang • Weil
Glenn Kunkes • Mayer Brown
Patrick D. Lynch • Sullivan & Cromwell
Madison Ott • Fox Rothschild
Nicholas Poli • Orrick
Miles Wiley • Cahill Gordon

Bankruptcy

Clifford Carlson • Weil
Thomas Kessler • Cleary
Colleen Restel • Lowenstein Sandler



Megan Wasson • HSF Kramer
John Weber • Paul Weiss

Benefits

Katila Howard • Amazon
Monica Perkowski • Holland & Knight
Benjamin Reilly • Goodwin

Capital Markets

Victoria Hines • Skadden
Zoey Hitzert • Kirkland
Ferrell M. Keel • Jones Day
Rahul K. Patel • Morgan Lewis
Denny Won • Cooley
Evan Zuckerman • Simpson Thacher

Class Action

Ryan Chabot • WilmerHale
Itak Moradi • Saveri Law Firm
Sean A. Petterson • Lieff Cabraser
David Saldamando • Labaton Keller
Sean Suber • Winston Taylor

Competition/Antitrust

Lohr Beck • King & Spalding
Lindsey Bohl • Simpson Thacher
Alison Deich • Cohen Milstein
Roxana Guidero • Wilkinson Stekloff
Matt Huppert • Winston Taylor
Zachary M. Johns • Morgan Lewis

Compliance

Lillian He • Jones Day
Lisa M. Lanham • Orrick
Danielle J. McCall • Latham
Charles Sommers • Sidley

Construction

Andrew Elkhoury • Elkhoury Law
Allison Geewax • Smith Currie
Hayden Harms • Akin
Hunter Vance • Susman Godfrey

Criminal Practice

James Anglin Flynn • Office of the Federal Public Defender for the Central District of California
Shoshana Silverstein • Dilworth Paxson
Jeffrey Then • Hecker Fink

Cybersecurity & Privacy

Sean P. Killeen • BakerHostetler

Christina Lee • Kecker
Gloria J. Medina • Labaton Keller
Sheri Pan • ZwillGen
Collin Vierra • Eimer Stahl

Employment

Allison Anderson • Foley Hoag
Melissa Berouty • Phillips & Associates
Meredith Firetog • Wigdor
Rocio Blanco Garcia • Littler
Mahru Madjidi • Shegerian & Associates

Energy

Javad Asghari • Simpson Thacher
Lamiya Rahman • Blank Rome
Chad Richards • Mayer Brown
Brittany L. Sukiennik • Cravath
Emily Prezioso Walsh • Skadden

Environmental

Brittany Bolen • Sidley
Matthew Dobbins • V&E
Devin M. O'Connor • Latham
Stephen Zumbun • Blank Rome

Fintech

Greer Griffith • McDermott
Brandon Hammer • Cleary
Georgina McLeod • Dechert
Kristin Teager • Sidley
John Zelenbaba • Skadden

Government Contracts

Meghan Doherty • Pillsbury
Teresita R. Kummer • Wiley
Thomas A. Pettit • Arnold & Porter
Michael Samuels • Crowell & Moring
Emily A. Spence • Fluet

Healthcare

Alex Lucas • Crowell & Moring
Kayla McCann Marty • McGuireWoods
Emily McGowan • Alston & Bird
Krysten Rosen Moller • Covington

Insurance

Daniel Horowitz • Holwell Shuster
Robert Jacques • Cooley
Bre Jones • Covington

Nick Spear • Susman Godfrey
Kevin Zimmerman • BakerHostetler

Intellectual Property

Nicholas Evoy • Covington
Robert Kappers • Steptoe
Ciara McHale • Tyz Law Group
Jon McMichael • Fenwick
Andrew Robb • Gibson Dunn

International Arbitration

Paris Aboro • Covington
Yasmin Al Ameen • Foley Hoag
Jessica Beess und Chrostin • King & Spalding

International Trade

Friederike S. Görgens • Greenberg Traurig
Jennifer Ho • Simpson Thacher
Edward J. Thomas III • Taft
Ingrid Price • Covington
John Allen Riggins • Wiley

Life Sciences

Benjamin Goodchild • Paul Weiss
Ray Grant • Ropes & Gray
Heath Ingram • Goodwin
Kathryn Kayali • Williams & Connolly
Bill Roegge • Cooley
RuiHui Yu • Sullivan & Cromwell

Media & Entertainment

Hannah Clark • Wachtell Lipton
Mike Hill • Covington
Connor Sullivan • Gibson Dunn

Mergers & Acquisitions

Meng Lu • Wachtell Lipton
Kelsey Nussenfeld • Cleary
Leah Sauter • Latham
Michael Senders • Davis Polk
Miaoting Wu • Sullivan & Cromwell

Private Equity

Lee Blum • Kirkland
Mark Castiglia • Sidley
Amy Dreisiger • Sullivan & Cromwell
Austin Pollet • Paul Weiss
Katherine Durnan Taylor • Debevoise

Product Liability

Morgan Branch • Sidley
Matt Bush • Kirkland
Maria Fleming • Napoli Shkolnik
Tyler Schneider • TorHoerman Law

Real Estate

Elizabeth Banks • Hogan Lovells
Niall Dickson • Goodwin
Edd Hampson • Simpson Thacher
Jon Newman • Clifford Chance
Danielle B. Schulweis • Sullivan & Cromwell
Sam Zaretsky • Kirkland

Securities

Joshua Baker • Rosen Law
Kristina Bunting • Paul Weiss
Pavithra Rajesh • Glancy Prongay
Alexander Rodney • Kirkland
Jeffrey L. Steinfeld • White & Case
Thayne Stoddard • Bleichmar Fonti

Sports & Betting

Greg Berson • McDermott
Judith A. Flumenbaum • Skadden
David Simon • Covington

Tax

Kylie Barza • Cleary
William Dong • Kirkland
Brian Harris • Covington
Christine Mainguy • Latham
Cameron Reilly • Baker McKenzie

Technology

Sophie Mancall-Bitel • Mayer Brown
Christopher C. McKinnon • Morrison Foerster
Justin R. Orr • Wachtell Lipton

Telecommunications

Boyd Garriott • Wiley
Steven R. Green • Wachtell Lipton
Warren Kessler • Hogan Lovells
Andrew Magloughlin • Steptoe

Transportation

Elisabeth Anderson • Mayer Brown
Chauncey Mayfield II • Honigman
Stephan Rauch • Sullivan & Cromwell

Joshua La Vigne • Akin
Rachael Wallace • Stokes Lawrence

Trials

Cameron Byrd • Ahmad Zavitsanos
Michael Kelso • Susman Godfrey
Rachel Lanier • The Lanier Law Firm
Pablo Rojas • Podhurst Orseck
John Stokes • Stris & Maher

White Collar

David Kolansky • Lowell & Associates
Jennifer McCoy • Troutman
Kenneth E. Notter III • MoloLamken LLP
Saverio S. Romeo • Fox Rothschild
Nicholas Silverman • Steptoe