

MehaffyWeber Named One of the "*Top Ranked Law Firms*" in 2013

For two consecutive years, American Lawyer Media Properties, LLC (ALM) has named MehaffyWeber as one of the "*Top Ranked Law Firms*." ALM is the publisher of *The American Lawyer*, *The National Law Journal*, *Corporate Counsel* and other prominent legal publications. The list of "*Top Ranked Law Firms*" was published in *Fortune* magazine, *Corporate Counsel*, *The American Lawyer* and appears on *martindale.com*® and *CNNMoney.com*.

LexisNexis® Martindale-Hubbell® was asked to research their database of over 1.2 million lawyers and firms in over 160 countries and identify U.S. law firms of 10 or more attorneys, where at least one out of three of their lawyers achieved the AV Preeminent® Peer Review Rating. More than 254,000 law firms were considered in the selection process, but less than one-half of one percent of firms across the nation made the final cut. The list is the only one of its kind to exclusively contain U.S. law firms. This rating indicates the rated lawyer has been deemed by his or her peers to have demonstrated the highest level of ethical standards and legal ability.

<http://www.martindale.com/Press/Fortune-Mag.aspx>

HTexas Magazine has named 14 MehaffyWeber attorneys as "Houston's Top Lawyers" for 2013

- Eric Adams Appellate, Business Litigation, Civil Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Intellectual Property
- Barbara Barron Civil Litigation, Insurance, Personal Injury
- Bob Black Mediation
- Ernest "Butch" Boyd Business Litigation, Civil Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Intellectual Property, Oil and Gas
- Patricia Chamblin Health Law
- Sandra Clark Personal Injury
- Maryalyce Cox Civil Litigation
- Paul Heyburn Civil Litigation
- Susan Hardie Jacks Bankruptcy & Workout
- Charles Long Bankruptcy & Workout
- James Martingano Business Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Environmental Law
- Corey Seel Civil Litigation, Commercial Litigation
- Michele Smith Civil Litigation
- Jeremy Stone Civil Litigation, Commercial Litigation

Barbara J. Barron Named *Best Lawyers'* 2013 Beaumont Product Liability Litigation - Defendants "Lawyer of the Year"

Barbara J. Barron has been named *Best Lawyers'* 2013 Beaumont Product Liability Litigation - Defendants "Lawyer of the Year." She was selected by her peers for inclusion in the 19th edition of *Best Lawyers in United States* in the practice areas of Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants and Product Liability Litigation - Defendants.

Only a single lawyer in each practice area in each community is being honored as the "Lawyer of the Year".

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Michele Y. Smith Elected Texas Association of Defense Counsel President for 2014-2015

Michele Y. Smith has been named Executive Vice President of the Texas Association of Defense Counsel for 2012-2013 and will serve as President for the Texas Association of Defense Counsel for the term of 2014-2015. The slate of new officers was announced at the Annual Meeting in September. The TADC is one of the largest professional associations of Commercial Litigation, Business Defense and Personal Injury Defense Attorneys in the United States with a membership of approximately 1700 attorneys.

Michele has more than 19 years of diverse jury trial experience and is board certified in Personal Injury Trial Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization. She has been a shareholder with the firm since 1999 and currently serves on the firm's Management Committee. She is an Advocate member of the American Board of Trial Advocates (ABOTA), Houston Chapter and serves on the Pattern Jury Charge Committee in Products Liability for the State Bar of Texas. Michele has been named in "Best Lawyers in America® in Personal Injury Litigation-Defendants and Product Liability-Defendants" for 2013.

MehaffyWeber Recipient of the DuPont Legal Challenge Award

DuPont General Counsel Tom Sager presented the DuPont Legal Challenge Award to M.C. Carrington and Sandra Clark on behalf of the firm for its effective and efficient representation of DuPont and its interests year after year. DuPont recognized M.C. and Sandra as true trial lawyers and complimented their dedication to the larger goals of the DuPont Legal Model. DuPont also recognized MehaffyWeber's commitment to diversity through its hosting the DuPont Minority Job Fair in Houston for more than a decade.

20 MehaffyWeber Attorneys Named “2013 Top Rated Lawyers™”

The American Lawyer and Martindale-Hubbell® have recognized 20 MehaffyWeber attorneys as “2013 Top Rated Lawyers™.” These attorneys have all achieved an AV® Preeminent™ Peer Review Rating, the highest rating in legal ability and ethical standards.

Arthur R. Almquist
Barbara J. Barron
Robert A. Black
Ernest W. Boyd
Joseph E. Broussard
M.C. Carrington
Patricia D. Chamblin
Sandra F. Clark
Keith W. Foley
Dewey Gonsoulin
Jim I. Graves
Paul R. Heyburn
Susan Hardie Jacks
Charles Long
Roger S. McCabe
James G. Martingano
Elizabeth Pratt
Louis M. Scofield
Michele Y. Smith
Robert Spellings

