

Susman Godfrey and 18 of its Attorneys Receive 2016 Awards from Benchmark Litigation

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HOUSTON, LOS ANGELES, NEW YORK and SEATTLE (Nov. 18, 2015) — Susman Godfrey LLP, and 18 of its attorneys, have been honored by Benchmark Litigation in its 2016 awards. The firm received “Highly Recommended” status for its Texas office and “Recommended” status for its New York office. Overall, the firm was ranked in Tier 2 for General Commercial Litigation.

In addition, eighteen attorneys received either “Local Litigation Star” or “Future Star” honors. Firm founder Stephen Susman and New York partners Bill Carmody and Jacob Buchdahl were awarded the highest level of recognition for an individual attorney as Litigation Stars in the United States. Only 100 attorneys in the United States received this award.

In its analysis, Benchmark discusses how Susman Godfrey’s Texas office, “generates myriad plaudits from practitioners all over Texas and beyond. ‘Susman Godfrey has talent from top to bottom, there are a number of very fine lawyers there,’ offers one peer, echoing the consensus. A client testifies, ‘I chose Susman because I think they have excellent trial skills and are very good at coordinating case preparation with other counsel handling related matters.’”

Further, Susman Godfrey’s New York office was quoted by Benchmark as having “cut a respected image among New York-based competition as of late. ‘Susman Godfrey is a maverick firm, almost a boutique but not quite, and focused on high-end litigation.’ The firm is known for a somewhat novel business model in which it not only strikes a balance between plaintiff and defense work, but also takes cases on a contingency basis.”

To read Benchmark’s full analysis of the firm, click [here](#) (subscription required).

The lawyers recognized from all Susman Godfrey offices are:

Texas

- [Vineet Bhatia](#): Local Litigation Star
- [Johnny W. Carter](#): Local Litigation Star
- [H. Lee Godfrey](#): Local Litigation Star
- [Joseph S. Grinstein](#): Future Star
- [Geoffrey L. Harrison](#): Local Litigation Star
- [Alex Kaplan](#): Future Star
- [Neal S. Manne](#): Local Litigation Star
- Kenneth S. Marks: Local Litigation Star

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- [Eric Mayer](#): Future Star
 - [Shawn Raymond](#): Future Star
 - [Harry P. Susman](#): Local Litigation Star
 - [Stephen D. Susman](#): Top 100 Trial Lawyers in America, Litigation Star – United States, Local Litigation Star
 - [Max L. Tribble](#): Local Litigation Star
 - [Mark L.D. Wawro](#): Local Litigation Star
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California

- [Marc Seltzer](#): Local Litigation Star
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New York

- [Jacob Buchdahl](#): Top 100 Trial Lawyers in America, Local Litigation Star
 - [Bill Carmody](#): Top 100 Trial Lawyers in America, Litigation Star – United States, Local Litigation Star
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Washington

- [Parker Folse III](#): Local Litigation Star

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