



SAN ANTONIO'S BEST LAWYERS

The Results of Our Fourth Annual Survey of Best Lawyers as Selected by their Peers

SAN ANTONIO'S illustrious legal history and proximity to prestigious law schools predict a wealth of capable local counsel for anyone's litigation needs. Though most will choose a lawyer based on personal and financial considerations, a good starting point for seeking legal counsel is deciphering the best professionals in the pertinent field. *Scene in SA Monthly's* fourth annual "Best Lawyers" feature will help readers do just that.

Earlier in the year, *Scene* sent a few thousand surveys to lawyers who have been practicing in San Antonio for five years or more. They were asked to provide the names of peers who they thought were the "best" in 16 specialties. The results—some 590 individual nominees—comprise our annual survey presenting the best lawyers in San Antonio as referred by their peers.

This useful feature on the city's top law practitioners changes each year as we improve upon previous surveys. This year, lawyers who were nominated in more than one category were listed in up to two categories, whereas last year they were only listed under the category for

which they were most frequently voted. *Scene* believes this will better convey a more complete picture of the local legal community's strengths. Additionally, we are including the "Rising Star" nominations in the main "Best Lawyers" feature. In previous years, we ran this list separately.

The *Scene* staff feels confident that comprehensive legal ground was covered through the inclusion of the chosen fields and that local lawyers with longevity are a reliable source for recommending other lawyers' proficiency. However, this list is not intended to be an endorsement of the selected lawyers. If you are pleased with your current legal representation, please do not infer that their possible omission from the list means that they are not the best legal counsel for you. **SA**

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