
Three Gray Reed Attorneys Named "Lawyer of the Year" by Best Lawyers in America

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Best Lawyers in America honored three Gray Reed attorneys with the 2020 "Lawyer of the Year" recognition, a distinction awarded to individual attorneys with the highest overall peer-feedback for a specific practice area and geographic region. The recognized attorneys include:

[Darrell Armer \(Health Care Law – Dallas\)](#)

An experienced dealmaker and strategic advisor for a diverse group of healthcare clients, Armer focuses his practice on structuring complex commercial transactions that not only achieve his clients' business goals, but also minimize risk within strict regulatory frameworks. Leader of the [Healthcare Transactions Practice Group](#), he has over 20 years of experience managing all aspects of the organization, reorganization, funding, operation and merger/acquisition of a variety of providers, including hospitals, ambulatory surgery centers, physical therapy companies, diagnostic imaging centers, medical and dental practices, and home health agencies, as well as various provider networks. Armer is Board Certified in Health Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization.

[Kyle Sanders \(Family Law – Houston\)](#)

One of the most sought-after lawyers for high-net-worth individuals throughout Texas, Sanders has successfully resolved hundreds of complex family law cases involving emotionally-charged disputes and sophisticated property and business issues. His practice focuses on all aspects of family law, including divorce proceedings, complex property characterization, valuation and division, child support modifications, modifications of visitation and parental rights, enforcement of court orders, and premarital and post-marital agreements. Chair of the [Family Law Department](#), Sanders is Board Certified in Family Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization. Sanders was previously recognized as the Houston "Lawyer of the Year" for Family Law Mediation in 2018 by *Best Lawyers in America*.

[Charlie Sartain \(Energy Law – Dallas\)](#)

Leader of the [Energy Litigation Practice Group](#), Sartain is an experienced trial lawyer who primarily focuses on resolving complex energy disputes in Texas and Louisiana through litigation, arbitration and negotiation. His clients include oil and gas producers and investors, midstream transportation operators, and mineral and royalty owners involved all types of contractual, payment and operational disputes. Before starting his private practice, Sartain worked as in-house transactional counsel for Sun Oil Company, where he learned



the nuts and bolts of contract and title law and gained a first-hand understanding of clients' goals and concerns within the energy industry. This experience gave Sartain a rare insider's knowledge of the oil and gas business, and over time he found that his problem-solving and negotiation skills are a perfect match for litigation, arbitration and prevention of commercial disputes.

In addition to these recognitions, 36 Gray Reed attorneys were selected for inclusion in *Best Lawyers in America's* 2020 ranking. To see the full list of honorees, click [here](#).

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About Gray Reed

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