



## 8 CUMMINGS & LOCKWOOD'S TRUSTS AND ESTATES ATTORNEYS RECOGNIZED AS "TOP LAWYERS" IN PALM BEACH, COLLIER AND LEE COUNTIES, FLORIDA IN 2024

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Cummings & Lockwood is pleased to announce that eight of its trusts and estates attorneys in Palm Beach, Collier and Lee Counties, Florida, were recognized as "Top Lawyers" by Palm Beach Media in 2024.

Each year, Palm Beach Media, the publisher of *Palm Beach Illustrated* and *Naples Illustrated*, partners with Professional Research Services to conduct a survey reaching licensed attorneys in Palm Beach County and in Collier and Lee Counties and asks who they would recommend, other than themselves, in that geographic area.

Attorneys were allowed to name up to three colleagues in each specialty. Nominees were then evaluated on the basis of the survey results, the status of their licenses, and their standing with the Florida Bar. Qualifying attorneys who received the highest number of votes are reflected on the list of "Top Lawyers."

In the September 2024 "Top Lawyers" issue of *Palm Beach Illustrated*, David M. Halpen, a Principal in Cummings & Lockwood's Private Clients Group in the Palm Beach Gardens Office, was listed as a "Top Lawyer" in Tax Law in Palm Beach County.

In the September 2024 "Top Lawyers" issue of *Naples Illustrated*, the following attorneys in Cummings & Lockwood's Private Clients Group were listed as a "Top Lawyer" in Collier and Lee Counties:

- Todd L. Bradley, Principal, Naples Office, Tax Law and Trusts and Estates
- Mary Beth Crawford, Principal, Bonita Springs Office, Trusts and Estates
- Alison K. Douglas, Principal, Naples Office, Trusts and Estates
- William N. Horowitz, Principal, Bonita Springs Office, Tax Law
- Robert L. Lancaster, Principal, Naples Office, Trusts and Estates
- Bonie S. Montalvo, Associate, Bonita Springs Office, Trusts and Estates
- Joseph A. Stusek, Associate, Naples Office, Trusts and Estates

"We are very pleased that so many of our private clients attorneys in the Palm Beach Gardens, Naples and Bonita Springs, Florida offices were listed among the 'Top Lawyers' in trusts and estates law and tax law," noted Heather J. Rhoades, Chair of Cummings & Lockwood's Private Client Group.

**About Cummings & Lockwood LLC**

# CUMMINGS & LOCKWOOD LLC

Founded in 1909, Cummings & Lockwood provides sophisticated legal counsel to individuals and families, family offices, closely held businesses, other commercial enterprises and charitable entities. Our core services include trusts and estates, corporate and finance, litigation and arbitration, and commercial and residential real estate.

The firm has over 200 attorneys, fiduciary accountants, paralegals and staff, as well as six offices located in Stamford, Greenwich and West Hartford, Connecticut, and in Naples, Bonita Springs and Palm Beach Gardens, Florida. While many of our clients reside in Connecticut, New York and Florida, we have clients in nearly all 50 U.S. states and in over 20 countries around the world.

## **About the Private Clients Group**

Cummings & Lockwood has one of the largest and most respected trusts and estates practices in the United States. For over 100 years, Cummings & Lockwood has been building meaningful and lasting relationships with our private clients, serving as trusted advisors throughout their lifetimes and providing sophisticated legal counsel at every important stage of their lives.

We offer our clients a broad range of services, including estate planning and administration; estate, income and gift tax planning; wealth protection planning; trust formation and management; philanthropic giving; probate and estate settlement; international estate and tax planning; executor and trustee services; business succession planning; fiduciary and probate litigation; and tax controversy and litigation.