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**Gordon Arata McCollam Members Selected  
for Inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America 2013***

New Orleans, LA - Gordon Arata McCollam Duplantis & Eagan, LLC is pleased to announce the Firm members selected for inclusion in *Best Lawyers in America*® 2013.

Throughout the firm's four offices, 19 attorneys representing 20 diverse practice areas are recognized for their contributions to the legal profession in this publication. The following attorneys were ranked individually:

**Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law**

Louis M. Phillips - Baton Rouge, LA  
Gerald H. Schiff - Lafayette, LA

**Bet-the-Company Litigation**

Ewell E. Eagan, Jr. - New Orleans, LA

**Commercial Litigation**

Steven W. Copley - New Orleans, LA  
Ewell E. Eagan, Jr. - New Orleans, LA  
A. Gregory Grimsal - New Orleans, LA  
Martin E. Landrieu\* - New Orleans, LA  
Howard E. Sinor, Jr. - New Orleans, LA

**Construction Law**

Howard E. Sinor, Jr. - New Orleans, LA

**Employment Law - Individuals**

Donna Phillips Currault\* - New Orleans, LA

**Employment Law - Management**

Donna Phillips Currault\* - New Orleans, LA

**Energy Law**

Bob J. Duplantis - Lafayette, LA  
Ewell E. Eagan, Jr. - New Orleans, LA  
C. Peck Hayne, Jr. - New Orleans, LA

Samuel E. Masur - Lafayette, LA  
John M. McCollam - New Orleans, LA  
Cynthia A. Nicholson\* - New Orleans, LA  
J. Lanier Yeates - Houston, TX

**Environmental Law**

Terrence K. Knister - New Orleans, LA

**Labor Law - Management**

Donna Phillips Currault\* - New Orleans, LA

**Labor Law - Union**

Donna Phillips Currault\* - New Orleans, LA

**Litigation - Banking & Finance**

Gregory Grimsal - New Orleans, LA

**Litigation – Construction**

Howard E. Sinor, Jr. - New Orleans, LA

**Litigation – Environmental**

Loulan J. Pitre, Jr.\* - New Orleans, LA  
Howard E. Sinor, Jr. - New Orleans, LA

**Litigation - Land Use & Zoning**

Howard E. Sinor, Jr. - New Orleans, LA

**Litigation - Real Estate**

Gregory Grimsal - New Orleans, LA

**Natural Resources Law**

John M. McCollam - New Orleans, LA

**Oil & Gas Law**

Bob J. Duplantis - Lafayette, LA  
C. Peck Hayne, Jr. - New Orleans, LA  
Samuel E. Masur - Lafayette, LA  
John M. McCollam - New Orleans, LA  
Cynthia A. Nicholson\* - New Orleans, LA  
Scott A. O'Connor - New Orleans, LA  
Loulan J. Pitre, Jr.\* - New Orleans, LA  
J. Lanier Yeates - Houston, TX

**Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants**

Ewell E. Eagan, Jr. - New Orleans, LA

**Product Liability Litigation – Defendants**

Steven W. Copley - New Orleans, LA

**Securitization and Structured Finance Law**

Marion W. Weinstock - New Orleans, LA

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**About Gordon Arata**

Gordon Arata McCollam Duplantis & Eagan, LLC has 60 attorneys in three Louisiana offices in New Orleans, Baton Rouge and Lafayette and an office in Houston, Texas. Whether litigation or transactions, the Firm's lawyers serve clients locally, regionally, and nationally, and provide services across a wide range of industries aligned with the Firm's offices along the Gulf Coast. The Firm is committed to achieving the best possible results and to fostering relationships with clients.

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