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**Eighteen Gordon Arata Lawyers Selected for
Inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America* 2016 Edition, One Named Lawyer of
the Year**

New Orleans, LA - A total of 18 Gordon Arata lawyers representing 20 diverse practice areas have been selected for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*® 2016 edition. Bob Duplantis has been named Lawyer of the Year for his work in Energy Law. Only a single lawyer in each practice area, in each city is being honored as a "Lawyer of the Year".

The following lawyers have also been named for their contributions to the legal profession:

Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law

David Messina - New Orleans, LA
Louis Phillips - Baton Rouge, LA
Gerald Schiff - Lafayette, LA

Bet-the-Company Litigation

Tim Eagan - New Orleans, LA

Commercial Litigation

Steve Copley - New Orleans, LA
Donna Phillips Currault – New Orleans, LA
Tim Eagan - New Orleans, LA
Greg Grimsal - New Orleans, LA
Martin Landrieu - New Orleans, LA
Howard Sinor - New Orleans, LA

Construction Law

Howard Sinor - New Orleans, LA

Corporate Law

V.M. Wheeler III - New Orleans, LA

Employment Law - Individuals

Donna Phillips Currault - New Orleans, LA

Employment Law - Management

Donna Phillips Currault - New Orleans, LA

Energy Law

Bob Duplantis - Lafayette, LA

Tim Eagan - New Orleans, LA

Peck Hayne - New Orleans, LA

Sam Masur - Lafayette, LA

Cynthia Nicholson - New Orleans, LA

Environmental Law

Terry Knister - New Orleans, LA

Labor Law - Management

Donna Phillips Currault - New Orleans, LA

Litigation - Banking & Finance

Greg Grimsal - New Orleans, LA

Litigation – Construction

Howard Sinor - New Orleans, LA

Litigation – Environmental

Howard Sinor - New Orleans, LA

Litigation - Labor & Employment

Donna Phillips Currault - New Orleans, LA

Litigation - Land Use & Zoning

Howard Sinor - New Orleans, LA

Litigation - Real Estate

Greg Grimsal - New Orleans, LA

Oil & Gas Law

Bob Duplantis - Lafayette, LA

Greg Duplantis - Lafayette

Peck Hayne - New Orleans, LA

Sam Masur - Lafayette, LA

Cynthia Nicholson - New Orleans, LA
Scott O'Connor - New Orleans, LA

Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants

Tim Eagan - New Orleans, LA

Product Liability Litigation – Defendants

Steve Copley - New Orleans, LA

Securitization and Structured Finance Law

Marion Welborn Weinstock - New Orleans, LA

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About Gordon Arata

Gordon, Arata, McCollam, Duplantis & Eagan, LLC has attorneys in three Louisiana offices in New Orleans, Baton Rouge and Lafayette and an office in Houston, Texas. Whether in litigation or transactions or dealing with regulators, 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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