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Bernie Rhodes Named to 2024 Missouri Power List for Sports and Entertainment Law

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Kansas City, MO (October 8, 2024) — For the second consecutive year, Lathrop GPM attorney [Bernie Rhodes](#) has been named to the *Missouri Lawyers Media Power List* for Sports and Entertainment Law in recognition of his work to defend print, film, television and online media companies that face legal peril. The list examines the state's most powerful attorneys in sports and entertainment law.

With more than 40 years of experience, Bernie's trial and appellate practice encompasses First Amendment issues, intellectual property matters and open records laws. His cases range from winning summary judgment for a golfing magazine to defending a Kansas newspaper whose recent raid by a local police department has drawn national attention.

Bernie has been selected as one of *The Best Lawyers in America*® since 2003, was named one of "50 Missourians You Should Know" by *Ingram's*, earned a "Legal Champion Award" from *Missouri Lawyers Media*, both in 2024, and was named a Political Activism/1st Amendment Rights Trailblazer by *The National Law Journal* in 2020.

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