



# Gary Cunningham and Lyle Pishny Named “Lawyers of the Year” by Best Lawyers in America

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*Best Lawyers*, the oldest peer-review publication in the legal profession, has named two Lathrop Gage attorneys to its select group of "Lawyers of the Year" for 2011. The publication has named Gary Cunningham (Litigation - Springfield) the Product Liability Lawyer of the Year for Springfield, Missouri and Lyle Pishny (Corporate & General Business - Overland Park) the Tax Lawyer of the Year for Kansas City, Kansas.

After more than a quarter of a century in publication, *Best Lawyers* is designating "Lawyers of the Year" in high-profile legal specialties in large legal communities. Only a single lawyer in each specialty in each community is being honored as the "Lawyer of the Year." The publication compiles its lists of outstanding attorneys by conducting peer-review surveys in which thousands of leading lawyers confidentially evaluate their professional peers. The current, 17th edition of *The Best Lawyers in America* (2011), is based on more than 3.1 million detailed evaluations of lawyers by other lawyers.

Steven Naifeh, President of Best Lawyers, says, "We continue to believe - as we have believed for more than 25 years - that recognition by one's peers is the most meaningful form of praise in the legal profession."

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