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Schneider Smeltz Spieth Bell LLP ranked in 2021 "Best Law Firms"

Cleveland, Ohio, November 5, 2020 -- U.S. News & World Report and Best Lawyers , for the eleventh consecutive year, announce the "Best Law Firms" rankings.

Schneider Smeltz Spieth Bell LLP has been ranked in the 2021 U.S. News - Best Lawyers "Best Law Firms" list regionally in 8 practice areas.

Firms included in the 2021 "Best Law Firms" list are recognized for professional excellence with persistently impressive ratings from clients and peers. Achieving a tiered ranking signals a unique combination of quality law practice and breadth of legal expertise.

The 2021 Edition of "Best Law Firms" includes rankings in 75 national practice areas and 127 metropolitan - based practice areas. Additionally, one "Law Firm of the Year" was named in each nationally ranked practice area.

Ranked firms, presented in tiers, are listed on a national and/ or metropolitan scale. Receiving a tier designation reflects the high level of respect a firm has earned among other leading lawyers and clients in the same communities and the same practice areas for their abilities, their professionalism and their integrity.

Schneider Smeltz Spieth Bell LLP received the following rankings in the 2021 U.S. News – Best Lawyers "Best Law Firms":

Regional Tier 1

○ Cleveland

- Closely Held Companies and Family Businesses Law
- Commercial Litigation
- Family Law
- Litigation - Trusts & Estates
- Trusts & Estates Law

Regional Tier 2

- **Cleveland**
 - Health Care Law
 - Real Estate Law
 - Tax Law

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About Schneider Smeltz Spieth Bell LLP

Schneider Smeltz Spieth Bell LLP is a full-service law firm. With experience dating back to 1867, we focus on delivering excellent client service by providing forward-thinking, creative solutions to complex legal problems.

Schneider Smeltz Spieth Bell LLP brings together Schneider, Smeltz, Ranney & LaFond PLL and Spieth, Bell, McCurdy & Newell Co., L.P.A., which are two of Cleveland's oldest and highest quality law firms. With this combination, the firm has one of the largest trusts and estates practice groups in Ohio.

We have more than 25 lawyers who provide our clients with a broad range of services and a deep bench of legal talent. Our lawyers are licensed to practice law in Ohio, New York, Florida, Pennsylvania, Illinois, and California and before various federal and state courts.

We focus on business law, real estate, litigation, family law, taxation, and trusts and estates, with attorneys uniquely suited to meet the needs of businesses, individuals, and charitable organizations.

Our attorneys are highly respected industry veterans with decades of experience which sets them apart as true leaders in our legal community. We are proud of having one of the only Ohio law firms with five attorneys who are Fellows in the prestigious American College of Trust and Estate Counsel (ACTEC). Lawyers are elected to be Fellows based on their outstanding reputation, exceptional skill, and substantial contributions to the field by lecturing, writing, teaching, and participating in bar activities. These five lawyers collectively have nearly 200 years of experience in devising practical solutions and advising clients in trust and estate matters.

As part of our firm's culture, we promote active leadership and involvement in the profession and in our community. We have attorneys who are leading important legal and business associations, committees, and boards, as well as are civic and local government leaders throughout our region.

The firm is an active member of Primerus, a society of the world's finest independent, boutique law firms. With nearly 200 member firms in more than 40 countries, each firm is screened to ensure its commitment to excellence as embodied in the Six Pillars: Integrity, Excellent Work Product, Reasonable Fees, Continuing Legal Education, Civility and Community Service.

Schneider Smeltz Spieth Bell LLP is dedicated to providing thoughtful, practical solutions to the complex problems faced by our clients, with a strong devotion to delivering excellent personal and timely service.