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Russell Yankwitt Named to the 2021 Best Lawyers in America® in Commercial Litigation

WHITE PLAINS, NY (August 20, 2020) – White Plains, New York-based law firm Yankwitt LLP is pleased to announce that its founding partner, Russell Yankwitt, has been named to the 2021 *Best Lawyers* in America in commercial litigation.

“I am grateful to receive this honor again,” said Russell Yankwitt, Yankwitt LLP. “Yankwitt LLP is known for our excellent lawyers and results, which is why we are routinely retained by New York City and national law firms to handle their Westchester high-stakes litigation. I am proud of what my team and I have built over more than a decade. I share this honor with them.”

Yankwitt is Westchester County’s go-to litigator and trial attorney. He represents clients in commercial matters of all kinds, including contract and partnership disputes, employment and shareholder lawsuits, insurance coverage disputes, ADA litigations, premises liability cases, and COVID-19-related matters. Yankwitt is known for his aggressive, strategic approach to cases, which emphasizes cost-effective litigation measures and focuses on optimizing outcomes for each client.

Yankwitt has been practicing law for 20-plus years, starting his career as a clerk for a federal judge before transitioning to the private sector as an associate with premier New York City law firm Skadden Arps. He then served as an Assistant United State Attorney (AUSA) for the Southern District of New York and in 2009, launched his own litigation firm in Westchester County, Yankwitt LLP, which is known for having the most credentialed attorneys in the county. All of his attorneys graduated from top law schools, worked for global, national or New York City law firms, and four of his five New York partners served as AUSAs in the Southern District of New York. Collectively, his attorneys have clerked for ten federal court judges.

Additionally, Yankwitt is known throughout the legal and greater Westchester communities for his philanthropy, which includes board positions for the Legal Services of the Hudson Valley and the Federal Bar Council, committee posts for the Westchester Bar Association, and numerous other voluntary and monetary contributions.

In addition to being selected for inclusion in *Best Lawyers*, Yankwitt has been named to the Top 25 Westchester Super Lawyers and the Top 100 New York Super Lawyers’ lists and has earned an AV Preeminent® Rating and Gold Client Champion Award by Martindale-Hubbell. Local Westchester awards include Westfair Communications’ C-Suite Awards, 914Inc’s Best of Business, Best Law Firm, and the Westchester County Women’s Bar Association’s Family Friendly Law Firm Award for its corporate culture that promotes work-life balance.

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Since it was first published in 1983, Best Lawyers has become regarded as the definitive guide to legal excellence. *Best Lawyers* lists are compiled based on an exhaustive peer-review evaluation. More than 87,000 industry leading lawyers from around the world are eligible to vote, and for the 2021 U.S. edition, more than 65,000 lawyers were included in the new edition.

About Yankwitt LLP

Founded in 2009, Yankwitt LLP is an elite trial and litigation firm based in White Plains, New York. With one of the largest litigation teams in Westchester County, Yankwitt LLP represents businesses and high-net-worth individuals in their litigation across a broad range of matters. The firm routinely handles complex cases in Westchester on behalf of national law firms and often serves as trial counsel for other local law firms on their high stakes matters.

Attorneys

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