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Seven Saxton & Stump attorneys recognized in Best Lawyers in America 2021

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LANCASTER, Pa., September 30, 2020 — Saxton & Stump is pleased to announce that seven attorneys have been recognized in the 27th Edition of [The Best Lawyers in America®](#), one of the legal profession's oldest and most respected publications. For almost four decades, *Best Lawyers* lists have been compiled by conducting peer review surveys in which leading lawyers confidentially evaluate their professional peers, with its core mission of highlighting the top legal talent. The current edition is based on 9.4 million analyzed votes, which resulted in the

inclusion of approximately five percent of practicing lawyers in the United States in the final publication.

James W. Saxton, Esq. is recognized for his work in Litigation – Health Care

[Saxton](#) has represented doctors, hospitals and other healthcare professionals in state and federal courts for over 30 years. Leveraging his extensive experience as a litigator, he advises hospitals and medical groups both nationally and internationally with understanding and reducing their professional liability risk by promoting excellence in patient satisfaction and incorporating certain specific loss control and safety protocols. In addition to receiving recognition from *Best Lawyers*, Saxton has been recognized by his peers as a Lawyer of Distinction, Super Lawyer and Select Lawyer. He serves as an active member of many professional associations, including as a Fellow of the Litigation Counsel of America, a prestigious nomination reserved for less than one-half of one percent of the lawyers in the country; Fellow of the College of Physicians of Philadelphia and board member for SE Healthcare. He has been recognized by *Best Lawyers in America* for six consecutive years.

Christopher A. Stump, Esq. is recognized for his work in Medical Malpractice Law – Defendants

[Stump](#), who is co-founder of Saxton & Stump and co-chair of the Healthcare Litigation and Mitigation group, concentrates his practice in the representation of hospitals, doctors and healthcare professionals in all areas of healthcare litigation, including malpractice defense, coverage issues, medical device litigation, product liability and risk management. He actively tries cases in courts throughout Pennsylvania and has taken more than 100 cases to verdict through trial and arbitration or appeal.

Steven D. Costello, Esq. is recognized for his work in Medical Malpractice Law – Defendants

[Costello](#) has successfully represented numerous Fortune 500 companies and major hospitals, healthcare systems and insurance companies and has received nearly 150 defense verdicts over his nearly 40-year career. The majority of Costello's cases have involved complex matters, such as catastrophic injury or death. He was selected as a 2016 Select Lawyer in the Lehigh Valley and as a Pennsylvania Super Lawyer as published in Philadelphia Magazine. He has been recognized by *Best Lawyers in America* for the past five years.

Ronald H. Pollock, Esq. is recognized for his work in Litigation – Insurance and Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants

[Pollock](#) has significant experience in insurance and medical device litigation and serves as a trial lawyer with case experience in both state and federal court. His experience includes personal injury and property damage matters,

representing insurance companies and individuals. He has dealt with cases involving toxic tort litigation, mold claims, products liability claims and other product defect litigation on the regional and national level. Additionally, he handles catastrophic permanent injury claims and complex workers' compensation issues. Pollock also serves as chair of the firm's Construction Law and Commercial Litigation groups.

Katherine Pandelidis Granbois, Esq. is recognized for her work in Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships) and Corporate Law

[Granbois](#) is chair of the firm's growing Business and Corporate Law group, where she focuses her practice in mergers and acquisitions, corporate finance, joint ventures, sales and distribution, entity selection and formation, and commercial matters for clients ranging from startups and professional practices to large family-owned businesses and middle market companies. Active in the community, Granbois currently serves as board member and immediate past board chair of the United Way of Lancaster County, board member of ASSETS and acting president of the Lancaster chapter of Daughters of Penelope.

Erik H. Hume, Esq. is recognized for his work in Real Estate Law

[Hume](#), who is chair of the firm's Real Estate group, advises clients through all aspects of real estate transactions and development. He regularly handles commercial and residential real estate transactions, land development, commercial loan origination and counseling of clients on condominium and planned community matters. He is the current vice chair for Real Property in the Pennsylvania Bar Association's Real Property, Probate and Trust Law Section. In 2020, Hume became the successor author for *Pennsylvania Community Association Law & Practice*, the leading treatise on condominiums, cooperatives, planned communities and homeowners' associations in Pennsylvania. This marks his second recognition from *Best Lawyers in America*.

Shaun J. Mumford, Esq. is recognized for his work in Medical Malpractice Law – Defendants

[Mumford](#) is an experienced attorney concentrating his practice in healthcare litigation matters, including the defense of medical device and medical professional negligence claims. He has successfully defended hospitals, health systems, physician practices and medical professionals at both trials and arbitrations throughout Pennsylvania. Mumford has also been previously recognized as a Local Legal Leader in 2016.

About Saxton & Stump

[Saxton & Stump](#) provides solutions for complex legal issues and partners with clients to create a roadmap for their success. The firm is committed to empowering clients by delivering five-star service and results-focused advice.

With offices in Lancaster, Harrisburg and Malvern, Saxton & Stump is a full-service legal and consulting firm with more than 100 professionals, more than 50 of whom are attorneys. The firm has recognized practices in healthcare litigation, business and corporate law, real estate, construction, intellectual property, employment, hospitality and liquor licensing.

Saxton & Stump continues to generate interest in the legal community with its continuous expansion. The firm has added 12 attorneys and seven professionals already this year and formed five new practice areas in banking and financial services, bankruptcy and creditors' rights, information privacy and cybersecurity, regulatory and government affairs and trucking and commercial transportation.

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