# **News**

# Groom Receives High Rankings in the 2021 US Legal 500

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Groom Law Group, Chartered is proud to have been ranked as a Tier 1 firm for 'Employee Benefits, Executive Compensation, and Retirement Plans: Design' by *Legal 500*. Groom was also recognized for 'ERISA Litigation' and 'Healthcare: Health Insurers'.

A number of Groom attorneys earned individual recognition in the *Legal 500* for their work:

- Sarah Adams
- Jon Breyfogle (Hall of Fame)
- Lisa Campbell
- David Levine
- Mark Lofgren (Hall of Fame)
- Michael Prame (Hall of Fame)
- Ryan Temme

# Excerpts from the guide are below:

**Employee Benefits, Executive Compensation, and Retirement Plans:** 

Design: With an established base in Washington DC, boutique firm Groom Law Group, Chartered has notable strength across the full range of employee benefits and executive compensation services. Stephen Saxon is a standout name in the team, recommended for handling Title 1 issues pertaining to 401(k) investment services, and advising tax-exempt clients on IRS audits. Among the team's most celebrated attorneys are Jon Breyfogle, a leading figure for health and welfare issues, and David Levine, who advises plan sponsors on the redesign of retirement, health and welfare and executive plans. Other key figures in the team include Lisa Campbell, another health and welfare specialist; ERISA fiduciary compliance expert Jennifer Eller; Louis Mazawey, who advises insurance companies and plan sponsor clients on the tax aspects of employee benefits matters; Brigen Winters, who is highly regarded for his expertise in advising employers, financial institutions and plan administrators

on legislative policies; and ACA expert Seth Perretta.

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**ERISA Litigation**: Top benefits boutique Groom Law Group, Chartered fields a comprehensive Washington DC-based ERISA litigation bench led by <u>Lars Golumbic</u>. The team, which also includes renowned litigator <u>Michael Prame</u>, represents plan sponsors and fiduciaries in all fiduciary breach proceedings including excessive fee and prohibited transaction claims.

'Groom has one of the top ERISA litigation team in the country, specifically as it relates to ESOP litigation. No one has the same depth and breadth of ERISA experience.'

Healthcare: Health Insurers: The team at Groom Law Group, Chartered handles a full range of contentious and non-contentious matters, and has focused on expanding its existing work managing the impact of the ACA on both employers and insurers. The firm also stands out for its specialized knowledge of HIPAA privacy and security issues, healthcare tax law. Practice co-heads Jon Breyfogle and Lisa Campbell have extensive careers working in government, giving them unique insight into the navigation of client relationships with state and federal agencies, and the development of compliant products. Seth Peretta and Ryan Temme are also recommended for their state and federal compliance work.