

Carlton Fields Selected As Finalist for The American Lawyer's Litigation Department of the Year Award

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Carlton Fields was selected as a finalist for *The American Lawyer*'s Litigation Department of the Year Award for Florida. The firm was chosen based on several key litigation victories in the past year. Those victories were achieved in key practice areas including appellate law, business litigation, class actions, environmental litigation, health care, labor and employment, property and casualty insurance, and white-collar crime and government investigations.

In one Carlton Fields case recognized by *The American Lawyer*, firm attorneys won the dismissal of a large qui tam action against Chapters Health System, the largest provider of hospice services in Hillsborough County, Florida. When the district court's ruling was appealed, Carlton Fields persuaded the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit to uphold the decision in favor of Chapters. After eight years of litigation, the case concluded Oct. 1 when the U.S. Supreme Court declined to take it up.

Carlton Fields is known for its national litigation practice, including class action defense, trial practice, white-collar representation, and high-stakes appeals. The firm's lawyers have tried more than 1,500 cases to judgment or verdict and defended several hundred class actions across the country. In the 2018 edition of *U.S. News – Best Lawyers*® Best Law Firms, the firm earned national rankings in several practices, including commercial litigation.

The winner of the Litigation Department of the Year award will be announced at a ceremony on Dec. 5 in New York City. Read more here.

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