

Robert E. Smith
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Robert E. Smith has more than 40 years of experience litigating complex commercial and business matters of all kinds.

Representative Experience

- Represented engineered product manufacturer in the US Supreme Court in a case that established a significant product liability precedent.
- Represented client through two jury trials and appeals to the Second Circuit in the successful defense of product liability claims originally exceeding \$800 million relating to the manufacture and operation of generators at a nuclear power plant.

Recognitions

Recognized or listed in the following:

- Best Lawyers in America
 - Commercial Litigation, 2006–2025
 - Litigation Real Estate, 2025
- Super Lawyers
 - New York, 2006–2012

News

- Katten Attorneys Recognized as Best Lawyers® and Best Lawyers:
 Ones to Watch® Award Recipients (August 15, 2024)
- Katten Attorneys Distinguished by Best Lawyers® (August 17, 2023)
- Katten Attorneys Recognized by Best Lawyers® (August 18, 2022)
- Katten Attorneys Listed in The Best Lawyers in America® (August 19, 2021)

Education

- LLB, Harvard Law School
- AB, Dartmouth College, cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa

Bar Admissions

New York

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- Katten Attorneys Distinguished as Top Legal Talent in the 2021 Best Lawyers in America and Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch Lists (August 20, 2020)
- 79 Katten Attorneys Selected for Best Lawyers in America® 2017 (August 15, 2016)
- 91 Katten Attorneys Recognized in Best Lawyers in America® 2016 (August 17, 2015)
- 85 Katten Attorneys Named to Best Lawyers in America® 2015 (August 18, 2014)
- 83 Katten Attorneys Lauded in Best Lawyers in America® 2014 (August 15, 2013)
- 80 Katten Attorneys Named to Best Lawyers in America® 2013 Guide (August 24, 2012)
- 75 Katten Attorneys Named to Best Lawyers in America® 2012 Guide (September 12, 2011)
- 70 Katten Attorneys Named to Best Lawyers in America® 2011 (August 9, 2010)
- 66 Katten Attorneys Named to 2010 List of Best Lawyers in America® (August 5, 2009)
- 50 Katten Attorneys Named to 2009 List of Best Lawyers in America® (September 23, 2008)
- 46 Katten Attorneys Named to 2008 List of Best Lawyers in America® (October 31, 2007)