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## Otten Johnson Ranked “Best Firm” in Colorado for Real Estate and Land Use

Denver, CO – *U.S. News & World Report* released their 2011-2012 edition of its U.S. News-Best Lawyers “Best Law Firms” rankings, and Otten Johnson has once again earned impressive placement as one of the leading law firms in Colorado in three practice areas:

- Land Use & Zoning Law (First Tier)
- Litigation – Land Use & Zoning Law (First Tier)
- Real Estate Law (First Tier)
- Banking and Finance Law (Tier 2)
- Corporate Law (Tier 2)
- Land Use & Zoning Law – **National** Ranking (Tier 2)

Many of the firm’s Directors and Shareholders are ranked as “Best Lawyers,” for 2012 including:

- Munsey L. Ayers (2010) – Land Use & Zoning Law; Litigation – Land Use & Zoning
- J. Thomas Macdonald (2009) - Litigation – Land Use & Zoning
- Arthur E. Otten, Jr. (1995) – Banking and Finance Law
- Thomas J. Ragonetti (2006) – Land Use & Zoning Law; Real Estate Law
- Frank L. Robinson (1983) – Real Estate Law
- John D. Sternberg (2006) – Real Estate Law
- Michael Westover (2011) – Real Estate Law

(Year) First year the lawyer was listed.

Per *Best Lawyers*, “The U.S. News – Best Lawyers® “Best Law Firms” rankings are based on a rigorous evaluation process that includes the collection of client and lawyer evaluations, peer review from leading attorneys in their field, and review of additional information provided by law firms as part of the formal submission process. An unprecedented amount of data was collected in the project’s second year, and this combined data resulted in the 2011-2012 “Best Law Firms” rankings. To be eligible for a ranking, a law firm must have at least one lawyer who is included in Best Lawyers as part of the annual peer review assessment.”

Otten Johnson is a leading commercial law firm in Colorado, highly regarded for its real estate and land use practices. Our attorneys work with clients in a wide array of industries, with a particular emphasis on finding real world, business-minded solutions. In the real estate industry, Otten Johnson's clients include owners, developers, builders, investors, banks and financial institutions, commercial tenants, managers and brokers, whether in the multi-family, residential subdivision, office, retail, hotel and resort, mixed-use, or industrial sectors. The firm provides legal services related to real estate and business transactions, financing, land use and entitlement matters, urban renewal and other public/private partnerships, mergers and acquisitions, tax, eminent domain, regulatory compliance, workouts, restructuring, bankruptcy, and commercial litigation. For more information about Otten Johnson Robinson Neff + Ragonetti PC, please contact Heather Baker at [hbaker@ottenjohnson.com](mailto:hbaker@ottenjohnson.com) or visit our website: [www.ottenjohnson.com](http://www.ottenjohnson.com).

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