

According to the legal research firm Chambers and Partners, the law firms listed below are lauded by clients for their depth of experience, the talent of their litigators, and their ability to handle the most complex cases where hundreds of millions of dollars are involved. The California Department of Insurance, ACE and Swiss Re are just some of the prominent insurance and reinsurance names who often pay big money to retain these law firms.

Firm	Star Litigators	Clients
Simpson Thatcher & Bartlett, LLP	Barry Ostrager, Mary Kay Vyskocil	Swiss Re, Hanwha Group, The Travelers
Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal LLP	Michael Barr, Reid Ashinoff	Arrowpoint Capital
Dewey & LeBoeuf	John Nonna	Aviva Plc; PZU S.A.
Duane Morris LLP	Philip Matthews, Andrew Gordon	American Centennial Insurance, Liberty Mutual
O'Melveny & Myers LLP	Paul Koepff, Richard Goetz	ACE

Firm	The Skinny
Simpson Thatcher & Bartlett, LLP	Described by clients as one of the best one-stop shops. The firm works on some of the country's biggest cases, displaying wide-ranging expertise. Recent cases have involved representing the Hanwha Group and advising an AIG affiliate on claims and potential claims in connection with lead contamination of toys made in China.
Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal LLP	This firm handles a wide variety of insurance and reinsurance matters. The firm has been at the forefront of work stemming from the economic downturn. Recent wins include winning arbitration in a whistle-blower suit involving the California Department of Insurance.
Dewey & LeBoeuf	This group is looked on highly for its deep skill set and extensive expertise. The firm has represented predominantly London-based excess insurers in matters relating to exposures connected to the clean up of the World Trade Center bombing site.
Duane Morris LLP	The firm recently represented American Centennial Insurance in a case with Thorpe Insulation involving asbestos liability with alleged claims of more than \$2 billion. The client received the most favorable settlement of any of the defending insurers.
O'Melveny & Myers LLP	The firm covers a range of insurance and reinsurance matters, but it has been particularly active in asbestos bankruptcy, managing a victory for Resolute in an appeal from a bankruptcy ruling in the Ninth Circuit.