

## Insights

### **Partner Nicole Finelli and Senior Associate Travis Lovett Named as 2026 Indiana Lawyer Leadership in Law Honorees**

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Krieg DeVault is pleased to announce that Partner Nicole R. Finelli and Senior Associate Travis D. Lovett have been named as 2026 Indiana Lawyer Leadership in Law honorees. Finelli is honored as a Distinguished Barrister which recognizes attorneys who have practiced law for at least 20 years, and Lovett is honored as an Up and Coming Lawyer which recognizes attorneys who have practiced for 10 years or less. Both were recognized in their respective categories during a breakfast reception at the Indiana Roof Ballroom on Tuesday, May 26.

The Indiana Lawyer annually recognizes individuals who represent the strength and future of Indiana's legal profession. Hundreds of attorneys were nominated for the 2026 class, with only 34 receiving honors in the categories of Lifetime Achievement Award, Distinguished Barrister, Up and Coming Lawyer, and Legal Support Star. As part of the selection criteria, each honoree was nominated based off a series of questions on topics including professional achievements, leadership in the legal industry, and community involvement.

**To view Ms. Finelli's and Mr. Lovett's full feature as it appeared in The Indiana Lawyer, please click below:**

Distinguished Barrister – Nicole R. Finelli  
Up and Coming Lawyer – Travis D. Lovett

#### **About the Honorees**

Partner Nicole R. Finelli advises both financial institutions and borrowers with respect to complex lending transactions and related issues. She is a member of Krieg DeVault Commercial and Real Estate Lending Practice. Ms. Finelli's practice also includes assisting clients with respect to general business matters from initial organization through dissolution. Ms. Finelli's qualifications include ten years of finance experience spanning back to her prior career as a senior economic and financial consultant at Arthur Andersen LLP and KPMG LLP. She currently serves as Board Member and Secretary of Executive Women in Finance and as Board Member of the Zionsville Women in Network (ZWIN).

Travis D. Lovett is a member of Krieg DeVault's Business, Acquisitions, and Securities Practice. He concentrates in the areas of corporate transactions, advising both buyers and sellers through the negotiation of stock and asset acquisitions and advising clients on mergers and restructurings to meet operational objectives. In addition, Mr. Lovett advises privately held businesses on issues related to entity formation, transfer of ownership and recapitalization, fiduciary duties between owners and management, and other corporate governance matters.



Mr. Lovett also advises clients that transact and partner with Native American tribes and on various matters related to federal Indian law. Before joining Krieg DeVault, Mr. Lovett served as a Tribal Attorney for Indigenous communities in Canada where he routinely negotiated with government officials to determine if natural resource projects infringed Indigenous lands and advised tribal leaders on corporate and governance matters. He currently serves on the Community Board of Advisors for the Eiteljorg Museum, the Board of Directors of Indianapolis Indians Charities, and is a recent past class member of the Hamilton County Leadership Academy.

#### **About Krieg DeVault**

Krieg DeVault LLP is diversified law firm representing a wide variety of local, and national clients. It is a business-focused law firm with offices in Indianapolis, Carmel, Mishawaka, Crown Point, and Fort Wayne, Indiana; and Chicago, Illinois. The Firm's attorneys have significant experience in key areas that address the needs of a diversified client base.