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Four Bracewell lawyers were honored as “Lawyers of the Year:”

- **W. Stephen Benesh** – Litigation – Construction (Austin)
- **Jonathan K. Frels** – Public Finance Law (Houston)
- **W. James McAnelly III** – Energy Law (Houston)
- **Charles H. Still Jr.** – Securities Regulation (Houston)

In addition, 18 Bracewell lawyers were named to the “Ones to Watch” list:

- **Emily A. Banse** – Banking and Finance Law (Houston)
- **W. Jared Berg** – Mergers and Acquisitions Law (Houston)
- **Andrea Broyles** – Commercial Litigation (Dallas)
- **Nancy McEvily Davis** – Health Care Law (Houston)
- **Amber K. Dodds** – Labor and Employment Law – Management (San Antonio)
- **Summer B. Greathouse** – Tax Law (San Antonio)
- **Tyler S. Johnson** – Energy Law (Seattle)
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