

TOP 20 SILICON VALLEY

Palo Alto's Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati reigns No. 1 in the Silicon Valley for the 13th straight year, despite losing 27 attorneys since 2003. The next closest firm, Mountain View's Fenwick & West, is 278 attorneys behind. Palo Alto's Cooley Godward dropped to No. 3 this year after the firm lost 24 attorneys. The biggest jumper was Los Angeles-based Latham & Watkins, which moved up three spots to No. 9 and added 16 attorneys. McDermott Will & Emery debuted on the list at No. 16 with 51 attorneys in the Silicon Valley. The Chicago firm replaces New York's Simpson Thatcher & Bartlett, which made a brief appearance on last year's list before dropping off.

RANK AND FIRM NAME	LAST RANK	CHAIR/ MANAGING PARTNER	OFFICES/LAWYERS (CHANGE IN SILICON VALLEY SINCE OCT. 2003)	S.V. LAWYERS	FIRMWIDE LAWYERS	S.V. PARTNERS	S.V. FEMALE PARTNERS	S.V. MINORITY PARTNERS
1. WILSON SON SINI GOODRICH & ROSATI Palo Alto	1	Larry Sonsini Donna Petkanics	Palo Alto 464, San Francisco 40, Austin, Texas 27, Reston, Va. 20, Seattle 16, San Diego 16, Salt Lake City 10, New York 7 (-27)	464	600	124	21	18
2. FENWICK & WEST Mountain View	3	Gordon Davidson Laird Simons III, Ralph Pais	Mountain View 186, San Francisco 71, Boise, Idaho 2 (-3)	186	259	58	10	5
3. COOLEY GODWARD Palo Alto	2	Stephen Neal Mark Pitchford	Palo Alto 176, San Francisco 83, San Diego 72, Reston, Va. 59, Broomfield, Colo. 32 (-24)	176	422	50	10	1
4. HELLER EHRMAN WHITE & McAULIFFE San Francisco	5	Barry Levin Paul Alexander	San Francisco 183, Menlo Park 123, Seattle 107, New York 81, Los Angeles 74, Washington, D.C. 61, San Diego 51, Foreign Offices 39, Madison, Wis. 10, Anchorage, Ala. 4, Portland, Ore. 3 (-2)	123	736	43	6	5
5. GRAY CARY WARE & FREIDENRICH San Diego	4	J. Terence O'Malley John Shuman Jr.	San Diego 133, East Palo Alto 114, San Francisco 26, Austin, Texas 25, Seattle 23, Washington, D.C. 19, Sacramento 11 (-15)	114	351	52	10	6
6. MORRISON & FOERSTER San Francisco	6	Keith Wetmore Karl Kramer	San Francisco 279, New York 128, Los Angeles 112, Foreign Offices 111, Palo Alto 103, Washington, D.C. 77, San Diego 53, Irvine 33, McLean, Va. 27, Walnut Creek 23, Denver 23, Sacramento 11, Century City 6 (+8)	103	986	33	8	4
7. PILLSBURY WINTHROP San Francisco & New York	7	Mary Cranston Davina Kaile	San Francisco 181, New York 150, Los Angeles 80, Palo Alto 75, McLean, Va. 53, Washington, D.C. 31, North County San Diego 26, San Diego 24, Houston 17, Century City 19, Sacramento 18, Costa Mesa 16, Foreign Offices 15, Stamford, Conn. 13, (-6)	75	718	33	9	5
8. ORRICK, HERRINGTON & SUTCLIFFE San Francisco & New York	8	Ralph Baxter Gary Weiss	New York 193, San Francisco 178, Foreign Offices 115, Menlo Park 74, Los Angeles 47, Washington, D.C. 51, Sacramento 32, Irvine 16, Seattle 9, Portland, Ore. 7 (+1)	74	722	24	5	2
9. LATHAM & WATKINS Los Angeles	12	Robert Dell Ora Fisher	Foreign Offices 320, Los Angeles 283, New York 272, Washington, D.C. 199, Chicago 133, San Diego 109, San Francisco 125, Costa Mesa 74, Menlo Park 73, Newark, N.J. 31, Reston, Va. 5, Newton, Mass. 5 (+16)	73	1,629	22	2	0
10. GUNDERSON DETTMER STOUGH VILLENEUVE FRANKLIN & HACHIGIAN Menlo Park	10	WND	Menlo Park 63, Waltham, Mass. 17, New York 5 (+1)	63	85	WND	WND	WND
11. ROPERS, MAJESKI, KOHN & BENTLEY Redwood City	9	Richard Wilson Todd Roberts, Stephan Barber	San Jose 37, Los Angeles 29, Redwood City 25, San Francisco 18, New York 3 (-2)	62	112	34	5	2
12. WEIL, GOTSHAL & MANGES New York	10	Stephen Dannhauser Matthew Powers	New York 528, Foreign Offices 249, Washington, D.C. 78, Dallas 68, Redwood Shores 57, Houston 55, Miami 27, Boston 24, Austin, Texas 6 (-5)	57	1,092	13	1	2
13. BINGHAM McCUTCHEEN Boston	13	Jay Zimmerman Mary Huser	Boston 272, San Francisco 159, Los Angeles 108, New York 111, Hartford, Conn. 58, Palo Alto 52, Washington, D.C. 34, Foreign Offices 26, Walnut Creek 21, Costa Mesa 13 (+1)	52	854	21	4	1
13. TOWNSEND AND TOWNSEND AND CREW San Francisco	14	James Gilliland Jr. Susan Spaeth	San Francisco 73, Palo Alto 52, Denver 19, Walnut Creek 9, San Diego 6, Seattle 4 (+2)	52	163	28	2	8
15. McDERMOTT WILL & EMERY Chicago	NA	Harvey Freishtat Anthony de Alcauz	Chicago 262, Washington, D.C. 217, New York 124, Foreign Offices 145, Boston 83, Los Angeles 80, Palo Alto 51, Irvine 35, Miami 17, San Diego 5 (NA)	51	1,019	22	3	8
16. BERLINER COHEN San Jose	15	William Goines	San Jose 46, Merced 5 (+2)	46	51	20	5	2
16. HOPKINS & CARLEY San Jose	16	William Klein	San Jose 46 (+3)	46	46	26	2	WND
18. SKADDEN, ARPS, SLATE, MEAGHER & FLOM New York	16	Robert Sheehan Kenton King	New York 820, Washington, D.C. 243, Chicago 171, Foreign Offices 187, Los Angeles 115, Wilmington, Del. 58, Boston 44, Palo Alto 45, San Francisco 20, Houston 21, (+2)	45	1,724	9	0	1
19. BLAKELY, SOKOLOFF, TAYLOR & ZAFMAN Los Angeles	20	Michael Mallie Tarek Fahmi	Sunnyvale 34, Los Angeles 19, San Jose 8, Portland, Ore. 7, Costa Mesa 6, Seattle 6, Denver 4 (+3)	42	88	17	2	0
20. BAKER & MCKENZIE Chicago	18	Christine Lagarde Peter Engstrom	Foreign Offices 2,619, Chicago 179, Washington, D.C. 69, Dallas 71, New York 50, San Francisco 45, Palo Alto 40, Houston 24, Miami 19, San Diego 22 (-2)	40	3,138	16	3	1

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