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### INTRODUCTION

The results are in for the first issue of The Journal Record's Reader Rankings. Listed inside are businesses and organizations chosen by Journal Record readers across a wide variety of categories.

To obtain the results, The Journal Record posted an online ballot with 52 categories encompassing the areas of construction and design, entertainment, finance/accounting, general business, health care, higher education, hospitality, legal services, real estate and information technology.

Readers were notified of the ballot through direct emails and print advertisements linking to the ballot and were encouraged to share the link with their colleagues. In total, more than 600 businesses and organizations were listed on the official online ballot. Voters were also given the option of writing in any firms not seen listed. Businesses were also added to the ballot, upon request.

The ballot was open from May 10-June 10. The surveys generated more than 1,500 responses from business professionals across Oklahoma. The results were tallied to come up with the list of award-winning businesses.

We would like to thank our readers for sharing their voice and their votes. Your opinions are reflected on the pages that follow. If you do not see your favorite firm there this year, please make sure to vote next year. Your response will help the Reader Rankings keep evolving and growing.

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## Construction & Design

### **Best Architecture Firm**

- 1. Frankfurt Short Bruza
- 2. Guernsey
- 3. GH2

## **Best Commercial Construction Company**

- 1. Flintco
- 2. Manhattan Construction
- 3. Smith & Pickel

### **Best Custom Homebuilder**

- 1. Ideal Homes
- 2. McCaleb Homes
- 3. AllenStyle Homes

### **Best Interior Design Firm**

- 1. A Karen Black Company
- 2. Neely Design Associates
- 3. A-Line Designs

## **Entertainment**



### **Best Brewery**

- 1. Bricktown Brewery
- 2. Coop Ale Works
- 3. Anthem Brewing Company

### **Best Casino**

- 1. Riverwind
- 2. WinStar
- 3. Hard Rock

### **Best Charitable Event**

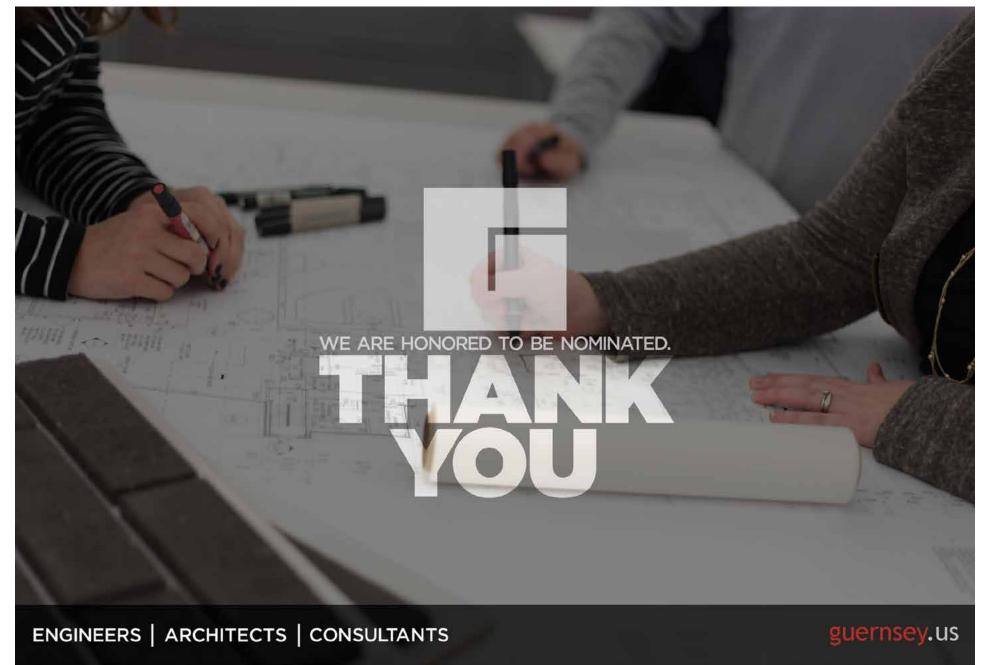
- 1. Festival of the Arts/Arts Council of OKC
- 2. PieceWalk AutismOklahoma
- 3. Dancing for Miracle Childrens Miracle Network

### **Best Country Club**

- 1. Oklahoma City Golf and Country Club
- 2. Gaillardia
- 3. Oak Tree

### **Best Cultural Attraction**

- 1. Oklahoma City Zoo and Botanical Gardens
- 2. National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum
- Oklahoma City National Memorial and Museum



## **Entertainment**



- **National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum**
- 21c Museum Hotel
- 3. OKC Farmers Market

### **Best Location for Drinks** with Client in OKC

- 1. Republic
- 2. 0 Bar
- Mahogany

### **Best Jeweler**

- **BC Clark Jewelers**
- Lewis Jewelers
- Naifeh Fine Jewelry

### **Best Meeting Facility**

- **National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum**
- Chesapeake Boathouse
- OKC Museum of Art

### **Best Golf Course**

- Oak Tree
- 2. Gaillardia
- Karsten Creek, Southern Hills (tie)

### **Best Winery**

- **Girls Gone Wine**
- Waters Edge
- Put a Cork in It

### **Best Shopping Center**

- **Penn Square**
- Classen Curve
- The Outlet Shoppes at OKC

## **Finance/Accounting**

### **Best Accounting Firm**

- 1. **BKD**
- 2. **Eide Bailly**
- Hyde & Co.

### **Best Forensic Experts**

- 1. Eide Bailly
- 2. GableGotwals
- Deloitte

### **Best Wealth Management Provider**

- **Morgan Stanley**
- Heritage Trust
- 3. Arvest Wealth Management

### **Best Bank (based outside** of OK) for Biz

- 1. Arvest Bank
- JPMorgan Chase Bank
- CrossFirst Bank

### **Best OK-based Bank for Biz**

- **Bank of Oklahoma** 1.
- 2. BancFirst
- Citizens Bank of Edmond

### **Best Credit Union**

- 1. Tinker Federal Credit Union
- 2. Weokie
- Oklahoma Employees Credit Union

### **Best Private Banking Services**

- **MidFirst Bank**
- Bank of Oklahoma
- JPMorgan Chase

### **Best Bank for Small** Businesses

- 1. Bank of Oklahoma
- BancFirst 2.
- Arvest Bank

## **General Business**

### **Best Advertising Agency**

- 1. Freestyle Creative
- VI Marketing & Branding
- Ackerman McQueen

### **Best Automotive Dealer Group**

- 1. Bob Moore
- **Bob Howard**
- 3. Fowler

### **Best Business Caterer**

- 1. Swadley's
- **Abbey Road Catering** 2.
- Petroleum Club, Rococo (tie)

### **Best Client Dinner Location**

- **Mahogany Prime Steakhouse**
- 2. Cattlemen's Steakhouse
- 3. Cheever's

### **Best Oil-field Services** Company

- 1. Halliburton
- 2. Kimray
- **Enable Midstream**

### **Best Oil & Gas Exploration** & Production

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- Chesapeake Energy
- **Continental Resources**

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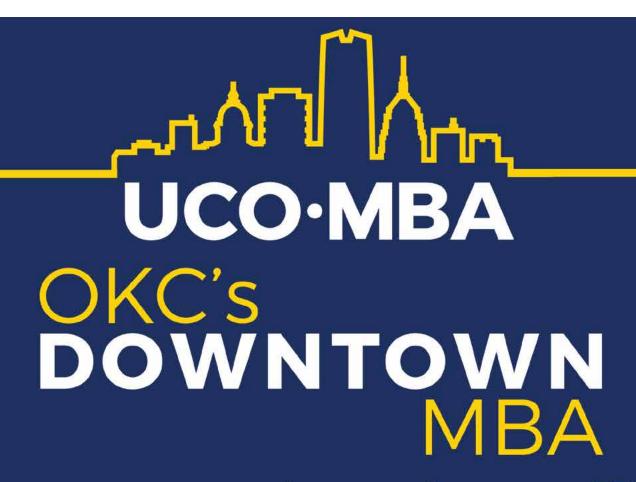


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## **General Business**

### **Best Office Furniture Company**

- 1. Scott Rice
- Stow's Office Furniture
- 3. Edmond Furniture Gallery

### **Best Power Lunch**

- 1. Packard's
- 2. Iron Star
- 3. Deep Fork Grill

### **Best Human Resources Outsourcing Firm**

- 1. Paycom
- Nextep
- Heartland

### **Best PR Firm**

- 1. Saxum
- 2. Jones PR
- **Koch Communications**

### **Best Staffing Agency**

- **Neese Personnel**
- **Express Employment Professionals**
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## **Health Care**

### **Best Hospital**

- 1. Mercy
- 2. Integris
- **OU Medical Center**

### **Best Home Care Agency**

- Mercy 1.
- 2. Visiting Angels
- Companion Home Health

### **Best Independent Living Community**

- **Epworth Villa** 1.
- Touchmark at Coffee Creek
- **Brookdale Senior Living**

### **Best Gym**

- 1. YMCA
- Planet Fitness
- Gold's Gym





## **Higher Education**

### **Best MBA Program**

- 1. OU Price College of Business
- 2. MidAmerica Christian University
- 3. University of Central Oklahoma

### **Best Law School**

- 1. University of Oklahoma
- 2. Oklahoma City University
- 3. University of Tulsa

### **Best Paralegal Program**

- 1. University of Oklahoma
- 2. Rose State College
- 3. University of Tulsa

### **Best University**

- 1. University of Oklahoma
- 2. Oklahoma State University
- 3. University of Central Oklahoma

## **Hospitality**

### **Best Getaway**

- 1. Beavers Bend Cabins
- 2. The Artesian Hotel & Spa
- 3. Choctaw Casino Resort Durant

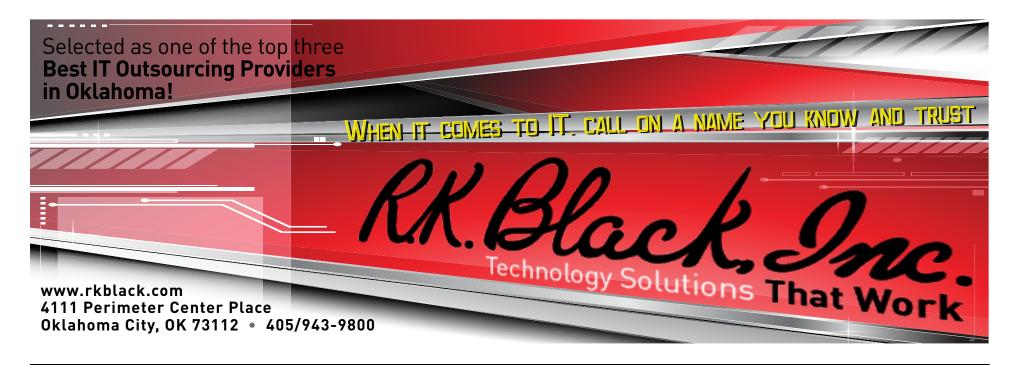
### **Best Hotel for Business Travelers**

- 1. Skirvin Hilton Hotel
- 2. 21c Museum Hotel
- Colcord Hotel

## **Legal Services**

### **Best Law Firm for Business**

- 1. McAfee & Taft
- 2. Crowe & Dunlevy
- 3. Dunlap Codding





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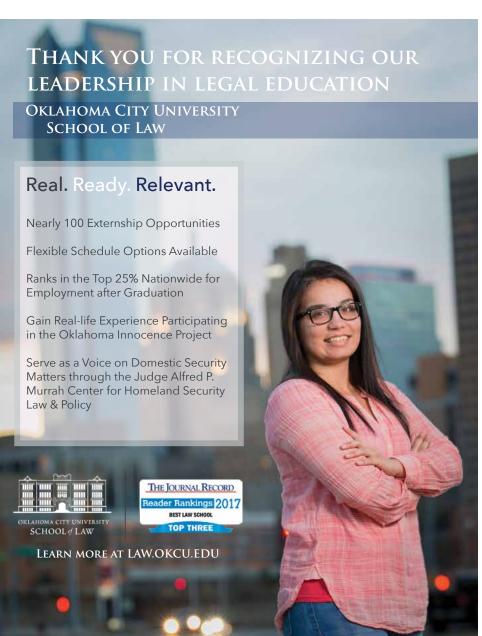
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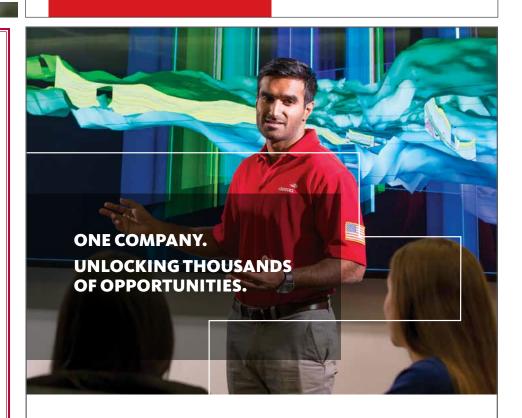
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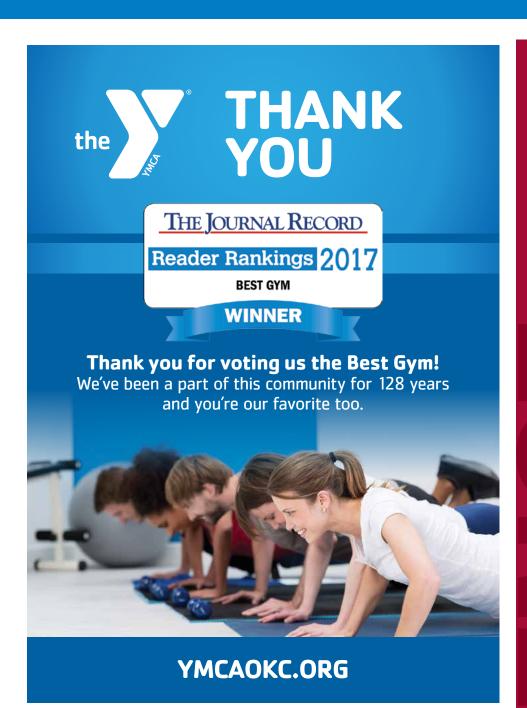
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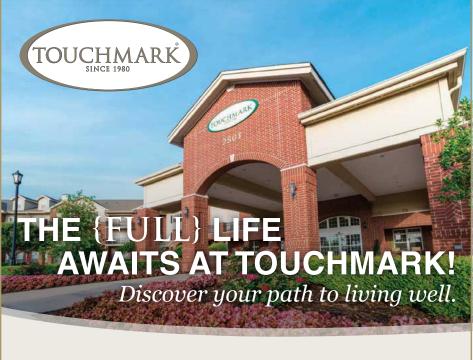
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- 1. Price Edwards
- Newmark Grubb Levy Strange Beffort
- **Urban Works**

### **Best Commercial RE Firm**

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- Newmark Grubb Levy Strange Beffort
- Coldwell Banker

### **Best Title Agency**

- 1. First American Title & Trust
- Oklahoma Abstract
- 3. Stewart Title

## **Information Technology**

### **Best IT Outsourcing Provider**

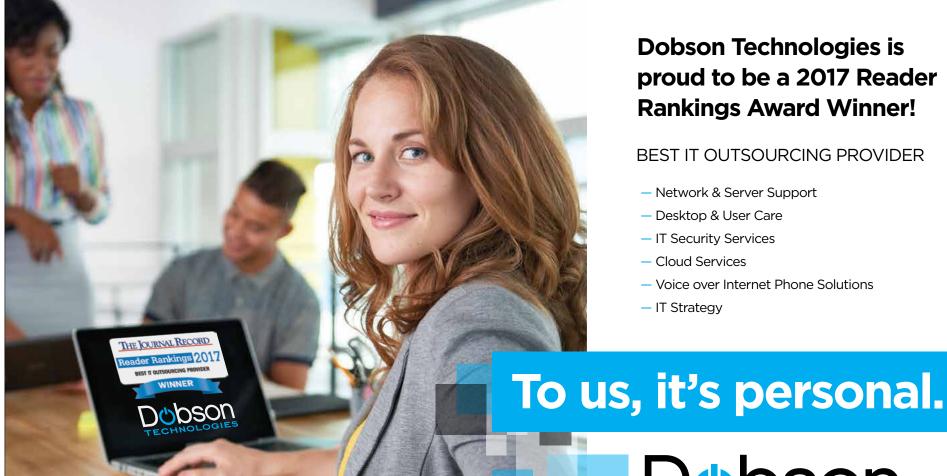
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- **RK Black**
- 3. 3 Nines Technologies

### **Best Web Design Firm**

- **VI Marketing & Branding**
- Staplegun
- Back 40 Design

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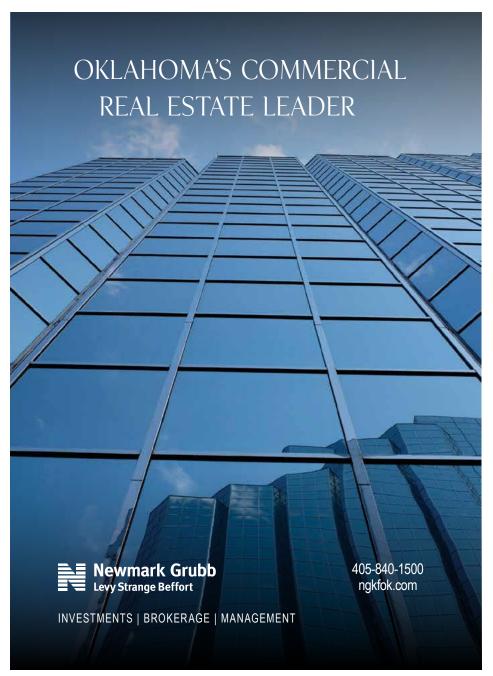


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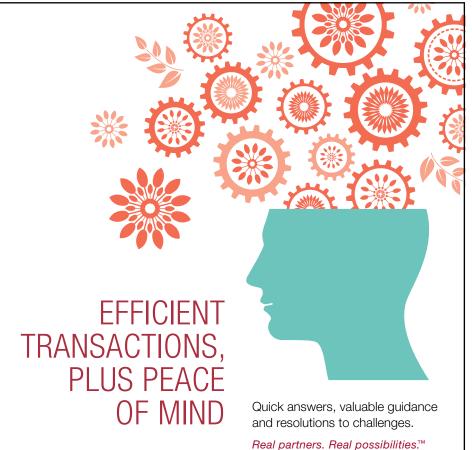
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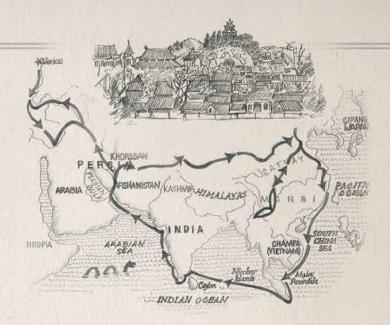
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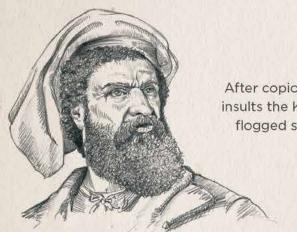
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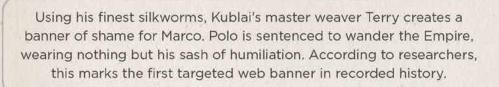
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