

# MGC Attorneys Receive Data Science Certification from IBM

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CHARLESTON, SC – Attorneys [Ryan Adams](#) and [John Stroud](#) in McAngus Goudelock & Courie's (MGC's) Charleston office have received the coveted Data Science Professionals designation from IBM; a certification showing their aptitude in data science and the demonstrated ability to solve for real-world problems. The recipients can apply Data Science methodology, work with Jupyter notebooks, create Python apps, access relational databases using SQL and Python, use Python libraries to generate data visualizations, perform data analysis using Pandas, construct and evaluate Machine Learning (ML) models using Scikit-learn and SciPy as well as apply data science and ML techniques to real location data sets.

Adams has been practicing civil litigation and insurance defense since 2016, with a recent focus on construction, premises liability, products liability, transportation and trucking at MGC. He is a member of the South Carolina Defense Trial Attorneys Association's Young Lawyers Division.

Stroud has been practicing since 2011, and currently represents employers and insurance companies in workers' compensation matters at MGC. He has also served as a public defender in Orangeburg and Cumberland Counties.

Ryan Adams and John Stroud will also be co-presenting with MGC Charleston attorney Mark Davis and MGC Columbia attorney Jason Lockhart on January 27 at the University of South Carolina School of Law's [Legaltech Seminar Series](#). Their presentation will highlight the genesis of MGC's innovation program, known as The Insurance Defense Incubator, provide an update on the projects that have arisen from the program and discuss the ethical implications of the intersection between law and technology.

"We are very proud of the hard work they have put in to achieving this certification," says MGC managing member Jay Courie. "Our entire innovation team, led by Lockhart, is committed to using Data Science and AI to keep our firm at the forefront of technology. This is just another step toward serving our clients and improving our business operations through a continuing commitment to metrics and analytics."