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JACK SHARMAN AND MARY PARRISH MCCRACKEN NAMED 2023 LAW360 DISTINGUISHED LEGAL WRITING AWARD HONOREES BY THE BURTON AWARDS

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Lightfoot, Franklin & White LLC partner **Jack Sharman** and associate **Mary Parrish McCracken** have been named 2023 Law360 Distinguished Legal Writing Award honorees for year's Burton Awards. Sharman and McCracken won for their recent Law360 article, "**Mar-A-Lago And The Inherent Problems With DOJ Filter Teams**" (subscription required).

Sharman and McCracken's article was among 25 selected for this year's Law360 Distinguished Legal Writing Award. They will be honored at the National Portrait Gallery in Washington, D.C., on June 12, 2023. The Academic Board of the Burton Awards selects honorees from submissions by authors at the largest 1,000 law firms in the United States.

In **their article**, Sharman and McCracken address the impact of filter teams and special masters on search warrant practice in light of the Department of Justice (DOJ)'s investigation of former president Donald Trump.

The Burton Awards, which is run in association with the Library of Congress, presented by lead sponsor Law360 and co-sponsored by the American Bar Association, rewards great achievements in law, with a special emphasis on writing and reform. Judges and law school professors from leading law schools select the winning writers.

Sharman, who is the head of Lightfoot's **White-Collar Criminal Defense and Corporate Investigations practice group**, is no stranger to high-profile investigations. Often sourced for legal perspectives by national publications, Sharman notably served as special counsel to Congress during the Whitewater investigation and in the highly publicized investigation of a phone call between President Donald Trump and Georgia Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger during the 2020 Presidential election.

McCracken is also a member of the firm's white-collar practice group, where she works with high-profile individuals and politicians confronting criminal probes and agency investigations. She recently helped dismiss various price-fixing claims against a poultry sales executive targeted in a notable Department of Justice investigation and subsequent criminal antitrust prosecution. McCracken also represents global companies in high-stakes environmental and toxic torts disputes and prominent physicians facing medical malpractice claims.