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LIGHTFOOT AGAIN EARNS PROMINENT PRACTICE, INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS IN 2026 CHAMBERS USA GUIDE

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Lightfoot, Franklin & White LLC has once again received prominent rankings in the **Chambers USA 2026 Guide**. The firm earned “Band 1” rankings for both general commercial litigation and white-collar crime and government investigations in Alabama. “Band 1” is the highest ranking the legal industry's prestigious, independent referral directory can bestow. The firm also earned a “Band 3” ranking nationally for Product Liability & Mass Torts: Highly Regarded and was ranked in Houston, Texas, for general commercial litigation.

The firm’s full practice area rankings for 2026 are:

Alabama

- Environment (Band 2)
- Litigation: Appellate (Band 2)
- Litigation: General Commercial (Band 1)
- Litigation: Medical Malpractice Defense (Band 2)
- Litigation: White-Collar Crime & Government Investigations (Band 1)

Texas: Houston & Surrounds

- Litigation: General Commercial (Band 5)

USA - Nationwide

- Product Liability & Mass Torts: Highly Regarded (Band 3)

In addition, 20 of the firm’s lawyers were recognized in Chambers 2026. They are:

- **Chandler Bailey** (Alabama Litigation: General Commercial, Band 3)
- **Michael Bell** (Alabama Litigation: Medical Malpractice Defense, Band 2)
- **Jeffrey P. Doss** (Alabama Litigation: White-Collar Crime & Government Investigations, Up and Coming)
- **Melody Eagan** (Alabama Litigation: General Commercial, Band 4)
- **Brandon K. Essig** (Alabama Litigation: White-Collar Crime & Government Investigations, Band 1)
- **Sara Ford** (Alabama Litigation: General Commercial, Band 4)
- **Wes Gilchrist** (Alabama Litigation: General Commercial, Band 4)
- **Lee Hollis** (Alabama Litigation: General Commercial, Band 3)
- **John M. Johnson** (Alabama Environment, Band 2)
- **M. Christian King** (Alabama Litigation Appellate, Band 2)
- **Rachel Lary** (Alabama Litigation: General Commercial, Band 4)
- **Mary Parrish McCracken** (Alabama Litigation: White-Collar Crime & Government Investigations, Associates to Watch)
- **Lana Olson** (Alabama Litigation: General Commercial, Band 4)

- **Adam K. Peck** (Alabama Litigation: General Commercial, Band 2)
- **Laura Peck** (Alabama Litigation: Medical Malpractice Defense, Band 2)
- **Harlan Prater** (Alabama Litigation: General Commercial, Band 1)
- **W. Larkin Radney IV** (Alabama Environment, Band 3)
- **Jack Sharman** (Alabama Litigation: White-Collar Crime & Government Investigations, Band 1)
- **John G. Thompson** (Alabama Litigation: Medical Malpractice Defense, Band 2)
- **Glenn Waldrop, Jr.** (Alabama Construction, Band 2)

This is the first year Jeffrey Doss has appeared in the Chambers USA Guide.

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