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### LIGHTFOOT'S CLINT SPEEGLE NAMED A BIRMINGHAM BUSINESS JOURNAL 2018 'VETERAN OF INFLUENCE'

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**BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (October 22, 2018)** — The *Birmingham Business Journal* has named Lightfoot, Franklin & White LLC attorney **Clint Speegle** a 2018 "Veteran of Influence." Honorees were recognized at a breakfast event on October 18 and in a **special section of the publication**.

The annual program recognizes military veterans in metro Birmingham "who have distinguished themselves in the local business world." A special advisory committee considered criteria such as the candidates' contributions to their company, their track record of innovation and leadership and their role in the Birmingham community.

"Clint is a valued member of our team, and we are grateful for his significant contributions to Lightfoot," said managing partner Melody Eagan. "As a firm, we are committed to servicemembers and their families, and we are proud to have many veterans on our team."

Speegle was a commissioned officer in the U.S. Army where he served multiple tours in Operation Iraqi Freedom as a combat-proven attack helicopter pilot. In addition to a Bronze Star, his awards and decorations include an Air Medal, two Army Commendation Medals, the Combat Action Badge, the Army Aviator Badge, the Army Parachutist Badge, the Army Pathfinder Badge and a United Arab Emirates Special Operations Command Parachutist Badge. A graduate of West Point, Speegle continues to give back to his alma mater as the head of recruiting for the Academy in Central Alabama. Since 2011, he has also served on the Military Academy Nomination Board for Alabama's 6<sup>th</sup> Congressional District, which is currently represented by Congressman Gary Palmer.

Given his unique aviation and engineering background, Speegle focuses his legal practice on aviation-related issues. He is also a member of the firm's **NCAA Compliance and Investigations** practice group. His aviation and NCAA practices intersect in his work advising higher education institutions on the use of drones.