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## LIZ HUNTLEY NAMED A 2017 'WOMEN WHO SHAPE THE STATE' HONOREE BY THIS IS ALABAMA

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Lightfoot, Franklin & White LLC of counsel **Elizabeth H. Huntley** has been named a 2017 "Women Who Shape the State" honoree by This is Alabama.

Huntley was recognized at the third annual Women Who Shape the State Awards Luncheon in Birmingham on November 9. She is also **featured on AL.com** and will be listed in the November issue of Birmingham Magazine.

The annual "Women Who Shape the State" program recognizes women in different industries from across Alabama who are contributing to their communities and setting an example by their efforts. Out of dozens of nominations, only 30 women were chosen for this year's class.

"Liz is more than deserving for this recognition," said Lightfoot managing partner Wynn Shuford. "Her dedication to her clients, commitment to her community and compassion for children is admirable and speaks to her character both in and out of the office."

In addition to handling large corporate litigation matters at Lightfoot, Huntley is a committed child advocate and provides legal and consultation services to government and nonprofit agencies that serve children and families. She is frequently appointed by judges to represent the legal interests of children in civil cases.

Huntley is also a frequent consultant to government on issues and legislation that impact children. She travels around the country speaking on these issues and sharing her own story. A leader in the movement to expand access to high quality pre-K to all four-year-olds in Alabama, Huntley has received several state and national awards for her work on behalf of children. She serves on several boards, including Leadership Alabama Board of Directors, Children's First Foundation Board of Directors, Children's Village Board of Directors, Alabama School Readiness Alliance and Project Gear (President and Co-Founder) and St. Vincent's Health System of Alabama.

Huntley also serves as a motivational speaker to various groups and organizations where she challenges audiences to adopt her "no excuses" philosophy. In 2015, she published her personal memoir, "More Than A Bird," which recounts her childhood journey "from unimaginable darkness to radiance."