

## NEWS & INSIGHTS

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### THREE LIGHTFOOT ATTORNEYS RECOGNIZED AS BIRMINGHAM ‘LAWYERS OF THE YEAR’ AND 24 LISTED OVERALL IN THE BEST LAWYERS IN AMERICA© 2020

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Three Lightfoot, Franklin & White LLC attorneys have been named “Lawyers of the Year” for Birmingham in the 2020 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*© published by Woodward/White, Inc. The guide also included 24 of the firm’s lawyers in this year’s list.

Those named “Lawyers of the Year” received the highest overall peer feedback in the listed practice area and geographic region. Only one attorney is recognized as the “Lawyer of the Year” for each specialty and location. The Lightfoot attorneys named are:

- **Jack Sharman:** Corporate Governance Law “Lawyer of the Year”
- **John M. (Johnny) Johnson:** Litigation - Environmental “Lawyer of the Year”
- **Sara Anne Ford:** Litigation - Mergers and Acquisitions “Lawyer of the Year”

The 24 Lightfoot lawyers listed in The Best Lawyers in America 2020 are:

- **J. Chandler Bailey**
  - Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants
  - Product Liability Litigation - Defendants
- **Michael L. Bell**
  - Medical Malpractice Law - Defendants
  - Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants
  - Product Liability Litigation - Defendants
- **William H. Brooks**
  - Appellate Practice
  - Product Liability Litigation - Defendants
- **Kevin E. Clark**
  - Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions - Defendants
- **Melody Eagan**
  - Product Liability Litigation - Defendants
- **Brandon K. Essig**
  - Criminal Defense: White-Collar
- **Sara Anne Ford**
  - Commercial Litigation
  - Litigation - Banking and Finance
  - Litigation - Environmental
  - Litigation - Mergers and Acquisitions
  - Litigation - Real Estate

- Litigation - Securities
- **Samuel H. Franklin**
  - Bet-the-Company Litigation
  - Commercial Litigation
  - Litigation - Antitrust
  - Litigation - Banking and Finance
  - Litigation - Mergers and Acquisitions
  - Litigation - Securities
  - Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants
  - Product Liability Litigation - Defendants
- **Lee M. Hollis**
  - Commercial Litigation
  - Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants
  - Product Liability Litigation - Defendants
- **Sanford G. (Sandy) Hooper**
  - Product Liability Litigation - Defendants
- **John M. (Johnny) Johnson**
  - Bet-the-Company Litigation
  - Commercial Litigation
  - Litigation - Environmental
  - Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions - Defendants
  - Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants
- **M. Christian King**
  - Appellate Practice
  - Bet-the-Company Litigation
  - Commercial Litigation
  - Litigation - Environmental
  - Litigation - Securities
- **Rachel M. Lary**
  - Commercial Litigation
- **Terrence W. (Terry) McCarthy**
  - Appellate Practice
  - Litigation - Insurance
- **William H. Morrow**
  - Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants
  - Product Liability Litigation - Defendants
- **Lana A. Olson**
  - Litigation - Environmental
- **Adam K. Peck**
  - Litigation - Environmental
  - Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants
  - Product Liability Litigation - Defendants
- **J. Bradley Powell**

- Product Liability Litigation - Defendants
- **Harlan I. Prater, IV**
  - Litigation - Environmental
  - Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants
- **J. Banks Sewell, III**
  - Aviation Law
  - Product Liability Litigation - Defendants
- **Robert J. (Jay) Sewell**
  - Corporate Compliance Law
- **Jack Sharman**
  - Corporate Compliance Law
  - Corporate Governance Law
  - Criminal Defense: White-Collar
  - Electronic Discovery and Information Management Law
- **John G. (JT) Thompson, Jr.**
  - First Amendment Law
- **E. Glenn Waldrop, Jr.**
  - Construction Law
  - Litigation - Construction

Inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America* is based entirely on peer-review. The methodology is designed to capture, as accurately as possible, the consensus opinion of leading lawyers about the professional abilities of their colleagues within the same geographical and legal practice area.