Lightfoot



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Jeff Doss is a respected and dedicated white-collar criminal defense litigator.

Jeff focuses his practice on trial advocacy in the areas of white-collar criminal defense and complex civil litigation. In addition to conducting internal investigations for private and public entities, he has defended businesses and individuals in connection with grand jury investigations, administrative enforcement proceedings and criminal prosecutions at the trial and appellate levels.

For nearly a decade, Jeff has served as appellate counsel for an automobile manufacturer. In that capacity, he has aided trial teams pretrial, at trial, and post-verdict through appeal. As appellate counsel, Jeff has developed and implemented strategies to address a myriad of legal issues, from errors in jury selection to exclusions of experts to evidentiary objections to post-verdict challenges to punitive damages awards.

During his career, Jeff has represented individuals accused of mail and wire fraud, honest services fraud, obstruction of justice, securities fraud, theft of government property, interstate transportation of stolen goods, money laundering, banking offenses, healthcare fraud and violations of the Anti-Kickback Statute. He has obtained judgments of acquittal from juries and from courts, both at the close of the prosecution's case-in-chief and post-verdict.

Jeff performs large-scale investigations stemming from employee and whistleblower complaints, regulatory inquiries and self-reporting requirements. His investigations have addressed diverse issues, including accounting procedures, trade secrets, securities laws, state law fiduciary duties and associated conflicts of interest, sexual harassment, and compliance concerns under the Federal Acquisition Regulation and the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement.

As assistant special counsel to the Alabama House Judiciary Committee for the impeachment investigation of Gov. Robert Bentley, Jeff and other

PRACTICE AREAS

Appellate

Commercial Litigation Directors' & Officers' Liability Securities & Shareholder Disputes White-Collar Criminal Defense & Corporate Investigations

EDUCATION

Samford University, Cumberland School of Law (J.D., *magna cum laude*) Tulane University (B.S.M., *cum laude*)

BAR ADMISSIONS

Alabama

members of the Lightfoot team interviewed dozens of witnesses, reviewed thousands of pages of records and compiled an extensive report. Three days after the release of that report, Gov. Bentley announced his resignation and his plea agreement with state prosecutors.Jeff also represents businesses and individuals in civil matters, ranging from class actions to insurance coverage disputes to contested bankruptcy proceedings. In addition to trial-related work, Jeff routinely serves as appellate counsel during the pre-trial, trial and postverdict stages. He is also serves on the firm's Associate Training Committee.

JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

Judge James H. Hancock and Judge R. David Proctor, U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Alabama

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Alabama Defense Lawyers Association (ADLA)

Alabama State Bar

National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers

AWARDS

The Best Lawyers in America© by BL Rankings — Appellate, Commercial Litigation, Criminal Defense: White-Collar, Mass Tort Litigation and Class Actions (2021-24)

Benchmark Litigation, "40 & Under Hot List" (2022)

Birmingham Business Journal, "Rising Star in Law" (2018)

Mid-South Super Lawyers by Thomson Reuters, "Rising Star" — Criminal Defense: White Collar (2015-19)

COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the 6th Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Alabama
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Alabama
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Alabama
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court for Middle District of Alabama
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court for Northern District of Alabama
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court for Southern District of Alabama