

## CLASS ACTIONS

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Lightfoot's deep experience was forged at the height of Alabama's class action boom.

Lightfoot was founded just before Alabama's notorious 1990s class action boom when plaintiffs' attorneys sought class certification for an extraordinary variety of claims. Very often, those plaintiffs' lawyers were successful, turning Alabama into an extremely dangerous litigation environment for corporate America.

During this tumultuous period, Lightfoot litigators were front and center, zealously defending clients against class action lawsuits. The result? Lightfoot developed one of the most experienced national class action defense practices of any law firm in the nation. Today, we continue to put that knowledge to work on behalf of our clients.

Lightfoot has defended thousands of class actions in federal and state courts across the United States, including in Florida, Maine, Maryland, Mississippi, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Texas, Wisconsin and beyond. We have defeated class actions at every stage of the proceedings and secured favorable settlements where that was the best option for the client.

The firm recently launched its series "**Top 10 Legal Questions to Ask When Sued in a Product Liability Class Action**," that addresses issues such as standing, jurisdiction, plaintiff-specific proof and whether a class is ascertainable.

Our versatile group of litigators have defended class claims involving a broad array of issues, including:

- Billing practices
- Data breaches
- Drug labeling
- Employment discrimination
- Insurance rates
- Misleading product labeling
- Mortgages
- Pollution
- Product liability
- Racial discrimination
- The Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act (RICO)
- Securities fraud
- Telephone Consumer Protection Act

We have also dealt with attempts to certify defendant classes.