

COMMERCIAL TRANSPORTATION

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Lightfoot represents clients in virtually every sector of the commercial transportation industry, handling cases of all shapes and sizes across the country. From trains and buses to semitrucks and rental trailers, our attorneys excel at defending clients whose business is moving people and goods. We handle matters at all stages of the distribution chain, having represented component suppliers, original equipment manufacturers and end-use owners.

Our Commercial Transportation practice group has a deep bench of commercial transportation attorneys with decades of experience in this unique area. Heavy trucks, buses and trains are unlike other vehicles — they have varying weights, stopping distances, regulations and characteristics that must be taken into account should an accident occur. When it comes to large modes of transport, we have relationships and immediate access to the foremost experts in the country who understand the transportation industry, can analyze crash data and determine what actually caused the accident — and what didn't.

A team of Lightfoot attorneys serves as national counsel for a major moving equipment and storage rental company. Our experience also includes cases involving tractor-trailer crashes, school bus accidents, rail yard accidents and a 30-car train derailment that led to multiple lawsuits. In addition to helping clients navigate NTSB and FRA investigations, we have a deep understanding of the federal laws and regulations that govern the commercial transportation industry.

Our firm also represents motor carriers — a favorite target of personal injury attorneys — as well as road builders, who are often not shielded by the immunity laws that protect the state agencies with whom they contract. We continually study the latest in commercial transportation technology, and have defended autonomous vehicle technologies and active safety systems such as lane departure, automatic braking and adaptive cruise control. When it comes to commercial transportation, Lightfoot has the knowledge, experience and skill set required to handle any case in any venue.

Lightfoot also has decades of experience representing automakers and component suppliers for passenger vehicles in claims related to airbag systems, seatbelt systems, crashworthiness and more. Learn more about our Automotive practice [here](#).