

## LIFE SCIENCES

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Lightfoot combines scientific knowledge and legal skills to efficiently handle complex issues in the life sciences arena.

The life sciences field is growing exponentially. Digital technology and software are becoming infused in every sector of the healthcare industry, including medical devices. These products — and the litigation surrounding them — are more complex than ever.

Successfully defending pharmaceutical and medical device manufacturers requires a deep knowledge of FDA regulations and product liability law. Effective defense also demands lawyers that are well-versed in complicated disciplines such as pharmacology, toxicology, epidemiology, medicine and biomedical engineering. Lightfoot delivers on all fronts. Because the learning curve can be steep in these complex cases, it is particularly valuable to have attorneys with the knowledge and experience to handle matters with proficiency and efficiency.

For years, Lightfoot litigators have worked hand-in-hand with leading manufacturers and top experts to develop innovative approaches to defending and trying high-stakes pharmaceutical and medical device cases. Our experience includes representing manufacturers and suppliers in both individual and large, multiplaintiff litigation involving:

- Anticoagulant and antiplatelet medications
- Antidepressants
- Blood products
- Breast implants
- Contrast agents
- Diet drugs
- Heart monitors
- Hyperactivity disorder medications
- Infant monitors
- Intravenous pumps
- Knee and hip prostheses
- Over-the-counter medications
- Lasers
- Latex gloves
- Pacemakers
- Prescription pain medications
- Respirators
- Wheelchairs

We also manage mass tort cases, and have the resources to adequately staff and provide the latest technology required to defend such matters.

## EXPERIENCE

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- Representing leading pharmaceutical manufacturers in hundreds of substantial pieces of litigation involving phen/fen diet drugs, opioids, phenylpropanolamine (PPA) and other medications.
- Representing a major breast implant manufacturer, including the successful defense or resolution of more than 2,000 individual cases.
- Defending manufacturers of intravenous pumps, cardiac monitoring systems, respirators, contrast agents, baby monitors and other medical devices in dozens of injury and death cases.
- Serving as national counsel for the nation's largest provider and servicer of customized wheelchairs.
- Serving as trial and appellate counsel for two major pharmaceutical manufacturers in cases brought by the state of Alabama seeking hundreds of millions of dollars. The state alleged our clients artificially inflated published prices for prescription drugs provided to Medicaid patients.