



# James A. King

*partner*

Jim King is chair of the firm's Litigation Department. His practice focuses on complex business and corporate litigation involving commercial disputes, securities lawsuits, class actions, product liability and toxic tort claims, and antitrust and regulatory enforcement actions. He also has extensive experience conducting internal investigations for publicly-held and private companies.

Jim is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers and is listed in Lawdragon's *500 Leading Litigators in America*. He is recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America*® in the areas of Commercial Litigation and Corporate Law. Jim has an AV rating from Martindale-Hubbell®.

Jim is a veteran of the U.S. Army and serves as the chair of the firm's Veterans Affinity Group. From 1988 to 1992, he served as an Assistant to the General Counsel in the Office of the Secretary of the Army.

## REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

### Litigation

- Lead trial counsel on behalf of one of nation's largest egg producers in defending against class action and opt out claims alleging a price-fixing conspiracy under Section 1 of the Sherman Act.
- Counsel for major international chemical company in PFAS litigation nationwide involving environmental and personal injury claims.
- Counsel for major electric utility in successfully defending against securities fraud claims arising from public corruption investigation.
- Counsel for real estate investment trust in successfully defending against securities fraud claims.
- Counsel for public officials in defending against civil rights claims.
- Counsel for utility company in defending environmental enforcement action brought under the Clean Air Act by the USEPA.

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## EDUCATION

The Ohio State University College of Law, J.D., *with honors*, 1988

University of Michigan, B.A., *with distinction*, 1985

## SERVICES

### Litigation

- Commercial litigation
- Professional liability
- Securities litigation
- Class actions, mass torts and MDLs
- Antitrust litigation

### Investigations, White Collar Defense & Shareholder Litigation

- Shareholder and derivative litigation
- White collar criminal defense

### Government & Regulatory Affairs

- Government contracts
- Regulatory advocacy

### Environmental

- Chemical industry

## Internal Investigations

- Counsel for special committee of a board of a publicly-held natural gas provider investigating shareholder claims against the company's directors and officers.
- Counsel for special committee of a board of a publicly-held retailer investigating shareholder derivative claims against the company's directors and officers.
- Conducted internal investigation and successful resolution of contract fraud claims against a NASA prime contractor.
- Conducted internal investigation into contract fraud claims against a military prime contractor.

## BAR ADMISSIONS

- Ohio
- District of Columbia
- Supreme Court of the United States
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois (Trial Bar)
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio

## PUBLICATIONS

- "Survey of Federal Class Action Law," American Bar Association, Section of Litigation, Sixth Circuit Chapter, 2024
- "*Daubert v. Frye*, admissibility of expert testimony – Fifty state survey," American Bar Association, Section of Litigation, 2016

## PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- Fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers
- Fellow, American Bar Foundation
- American Bar Association
- Ohio State Bar Association
- Columbus Bar Association
- Columbus Bar Foundation
- International Association of Defense Counsel

## HONORS | AWARDS

- Lawdragon 500 Leading Litigators in America
- *The Best Lawyers in America*®
- Ohio Super Lawyers
- Martindale-Hubbell®, AV Preeminent
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## COMMUNITY

- International Association of Defense Counsel Trial Academy, Faculty, 2011
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio, Volunteer Mediator

## SERVICES (CONTINUED)

### Securities

- Securities litigation
- SEC investigation and enforcement

### Health Care

- Reimbursement and overpayment audit defense

### International Business & Trade

- Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and anti-bribery laws

### Business Competition, Advice & Litigation

- Anti-raiding
- Antitrust advice and litigation

### Energy

### Business Growth & Operation

- Chemicals