

## Lee Whitesell

Senior Associate

Houston

### Biography

Lee Whitesell thrives in the space between the theoretical and the practical. As a veteran of the United States Army, Lee wields a tenacious work ethic and unswerving loyalty to find effective, functional solutions for his clients' most complex disputes.

Lee's experience spans the full life cycle of complex litigation, from investigating claims and managing discovery through trial and on to appeals. He also advises clients across a wide range of industries, including energy, life sciences, and health care.

Before joining Hogan Lovells, Lee practiced antitrust litigation with another global law firm in Houston. He previously served as a law clerk to the Honorable Edith Hollan Jones, United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. Lee earned his J.D., cum laude, from the University of Pennsylvania Law School where he learned litigation at the highest levels as a member of the Penn Supreme Court Clinic. He also served as Online Managing Editor for the *University of Pennsylvania Journal of Constitutional Law*.

Prior to law school, Lee served as a logistics officer in the United States Army. He earned the Bronze Star Medal during his deployment in Operation Iraqi Freedom in support of the First Cavalry Division.



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### Practices

Administrative and Public Law

Antitrust and Competition

Commercial

Corporate

Employment

Energy Disputes

Financial Services

Infrastructure, Energy, Resources,  
and Projects

Litigation Services

Commercial Litigation

Banking and Finance Litigation

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## Representative experience

Represented Tech Pharmacy Services, LLC in a jury verdict involving multimillion-dollar breach of contract claim.

Assisted in successful defense of one venerable Manhattan art gallery in high-profile fraud case."

Assisted indigent grandmother in obtaining custody rights.\*

Defended large hospital system from antitrust wage-conspiracy class action.\*

Represented death-row inmate in federal habeas proceedings.\*

Represented incarcerated plaintiff in Section 1983 civil rights lawsuit.

Represented oil and gas exploration company in US\$60m contract dispute with midstream processor.

Successfully defended prominent political candidate against natural-born citizen "birther" challenge.\*

\*Matter handled prior to joining Hogan Lovells.

## Latest thinking and events

### ■ Published Works

- JASTA Not as Bad as it Seems *The New Jurist*

### ■ Published Works

- The Church of Originalism *16 U. Pa. J. Const. L.* 1531

## Industries

Energy and Natural Resources

Financial Institutions

Life Sciences and Health Care

TMT

Diversified Industrials

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## Areas of focus

Antitrust and Competition Litigation

Class Actions and Group Litigation

Competition Compliance

IERP Dispute Resolution

IP Litigation, Arbitration, and Alternative Dispute Resolution

Oil and Gas: Pipelines and Midstream Facilities

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## Education and admissions

### Education

J.D., University of Pennsylvania Law School, cum laude, 2014

B.A., The College of New Jersey, 2007

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## Bar admissions and qualifications

Texas

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## Court admissions

U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit

U.S. District Court, Northern District  
of Texas

U.S. District Court, Southern District  
of Texas

U.S. District Court, Western District  
of Texas

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