



William R. (Billy) Martin is a partner in the Washington, D.C., office of Barnes & Thornburg. As one of the top trial attorneys in the U.S., Billy represents corporations and leading individuals in politics, sports and entertainment, and he has tried more than 150 jury trials across the country. He is a member of the firm's Litigation Department and the White Collar Practice Group.

Previously named as one of the country's '50 Most Influential Minority Attorneys' by *The National Law Journal*, Billy represents corporations in complex civil and white collar criminal matters in state and federal courts and in administrative hearings and arbitrations. In addition to his high-profile cases, Billy has substantial experience with internal investigations and has worked extensively with integrity and compliance monitors in a number of industries.

Prior to entering private practice, Billy served as a local and federal prosecutor in Cincinnati, Ohio, from 1976 to 1980. He then was appointed as special attorney in the Organized Crime-Strike Force in San Francisco. Following that appointment, he served as Assistant United States Attorney in Washington, D.C., before being promoted to Executive Assistant for the U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia.

He is a member of the American Arbitration Association and has experience representing parties in arbitration and mediation proceedings in private disputes. He also has served as outside counsel to the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Ethics related to its investigation of a sitting member of Congress.

Billy also is a member of the American Bar Association, American Bar Foundation, National Bar Association and the Washington Bar Association, of which he is a past-president.

He has received several honors during his illustrious legal career. Among them are being named to the American Trial Lawyers Association's Top 100 Trial Lawyers list, Best Lawyers in America, D.C. Bar Association's Legend of the Bar, and featured as a 'Top Lawyer' in *Washingtonian*

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EDUCATION

University of Cincinnati College of Law,
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Howard University

BAR ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia

Ohio

COURT ADMISSIONS

U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern
District of Ohio

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth
Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth
Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth
Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third
Circuit

U.S. District Court for the District of
Columbia

U.S. District Court for the District of
Maryland

U.S. District Court for the Northern
District of Ohio

U.S. Supreme Court

LANGUAGES

English

PRACTICES

Commercial Litigation

Magazine, Black Enterprise Magazine and Ebony Magazine. He also has been selected for inclusion in the Washington, D.C., Super Lawyers from 2007-2011 and 2013-2019.

Billy is admitted to practice in the District of Columbia and Ohio, and before the U.S. Supreme Court; the U.S. Courts of Appeals for the Third, Fourth, Sixth, and Ninth Circuits; and the U.S. District Courts for the District of Columbia, Maryland, and the Northern and Southern Districts of Ohio.

He earned his J.D. from the University of Cincinnati College of Law, where he was the recipient of the Distinguished Alumni Award. He also received a Distinguished Alumni Award from Howard University, where he earned his undergraduate degree.

Honors

The Best Lawyers in America, 2023-2024

Washington, D.C., Super Lawyers, 2023-2024

Environmental Crimes and Investigations
Litigation
White Collar and Investigations

INDUSTRIES

Entertainment
Federal Contracting, Procurement and National Security
University and Professional Athletics