



**Joy Boyd Longnecker focuses her practice on white collar defense and internal investigations, particularly in the healthcare industry. A seasoned white collar and commercial litigator, Joy has successfully tried more than 40 cases. As a former prosecutor, she offers a dynamic and pragmatic perspective when advising and defending clients in matters involving potential criminal or civil liability.**

Joy frequently helps individuals and companies, many of which are healthcare providers, navigate white collar criminal and civil cases involving allegations of healthcare, financial, wire, and other forms of fraud. She is well-versed in, and routinely investigates and defends matters arising under, the False Claims Act. Joy also assists clients with responding to government requests and subpoenas, including subject and target letters, grand jury subpoenas, and civil investigative demands.

Joy's proactive and thorough internal investigations often allow her to negotiate and secure favorable early resolutions of civil and criminal matters. Joy leverages her significant trial experience in virtually all aspects of her clients' cases, including the development and execution of a client's defense strategy, during internal investigations, and in negotiations with federal and state agencies.

Notably, Joy's healthcare and other business clients often come to her for advice and counseling on a wide range of operational, risk management, and compliance issues, especially those specific to the healthcare industry.

For more than a decade, Joy has litigated cases in Nashville and across the state of Tennessee. She defends franchisors and other hospitality businesses, including publicly traded organizations and private equity-owned companies, in complex contract and other commercial disputes. Religious and other nonprofit organizations rely on Joy's discretion and sound guidance when facing challenging and highly sensitive matters, many of which involve allegations of abuse.

Prior to joining Barnes & Thornburg, Joy was a partner and member of the Government Enforcement and Investigations Practice Group at a firm in

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### EDUCATION

University of Alabama School of Law,  
(J.D.), cum laude, 2005

Jacksonville State University, (B.A.),  
summa cum laude, 2002

### BAR ADMISSIONS

Alabama  
Kentucky  
Tennessee

### LANGUAGES

English

### PRACTICES

Litigation  
White Collar and Investigations

### INDUSTRIES

Healthcare

Nashville.

## **Professional and Community Involvement**

Co-chair, Women's White Collar Defense Association Tennessee/Alabama Chapter

Executive committee vice-chair, Tennessee Bar Association Criminal Justice Section

Member, American Bar Association

Member, Tennessee Bar Association

Big sister, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Middle Tennessee

Member, Nashville Young Leaders Council Class 60

## **Honors**

Mid-South Super Lawyers Rising Star, 2019-2021

Nashville Business Journal's 40 Under 40, 2021

Jacksonville State University Young Alumna of the Year, 2011