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BCLP Partner Perry Brandt, Partner Reggie Harris and Of Counsel Rich Finneran are among Missouri’s “Power 30” white-collar defense lawyers, as named by *Missouri Lawyers Weekly*.

“In this latest edition of The Power List ... we examine the most powerful attorneys in white-collar defense law. These are practitioners who defend their clients from adverse government actions of all sorts, whether it is in a court of criminal law or from an enforcement arm of a state or federal administrative agency,” the publication stated.

Perry, in BCLP’s Kansas City office, has acted as lead trial counsel in all types of complex business and commercial litigation in state and federal courts across the nation, as well as before various governmental agencies and arbitration panels. His experience spans a number of industries and types

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of proceedings, and he has achieved many summary judgments and other favorable resolutions prior to trial. During his career, he has counseled boards of directors, management teams and legal departments regarding litigation, business and regulatory matters, and risk avoidance. He has particular experience in class, shareholder derivative and multiplaintiff litigation, including multidistrict litigation.



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Resident in the St. Louis office, Reggie focuses his practice on internal investigations, corporate compliance, white-collar criminal matters and civil trial and appellate litigation. In his most recent role as executive assistant U.S. attorney, Reggie developed and implemented strategies related to the Department of Justice’s Project Safe Neighborhoods and heroin and opioid initiatives in the Eastern District of Missouri. In addition, he supervised a unit of federal white-collar prosecutors while serving as white-collar chief within the U.S. Attorney’s Office. In this role he was responsible for the evaluation and assignment of cases and the review of charging decisions, proposed plea agreements and sentencing memorandums, all while handling his own docket of complex white collar cases.

Also in the firm’s St. Louis office, Rich concentrates his practice on white-collar criminal matters, corporate internal investigations, corporate compliance, and civil trial and appellate litigation. He served as an assistant U.S. attorney for the Eastern District of Missouri from 2010 to 2017, during which time he was responsible for prosecuting some of the region’s most significant white-collar cases, including the two largest financial fraud trials ever conducted by that office. While at the U.S. Attorney’s Office, he also supervised the office’s Suspicious Activity Report Review Team and was a frequent presenter on the subject of Bank Secrecy Act compliance.

In 2014, Rich received *Missouri Lawyers Weekly's* Legal Champion Award and in 2016 he was honored with the Missouri Bar Foundation's David J. Dixon Appellate Advocacy Award. He also recently made headlines as the 2020 Democratic nominee for Missouri attorney general.

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