

# Linda L. Pence

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## OF COUNSEL

### Overview

In Linda's opinion, there is no higher calling for a lawyer than to represent companies and persons in court who are facing life-changing events and need guidance, advice and someone to speak up on their behalf. Linda Pence is a practicing trial attorney and chair of the firm's White Collar Criminal Defense & Investigations Service Group, beginning her legal career with the U.S. Department of Justice in 1974. Over the last 45 years she has gained extensive experience in the investigation, prosecution and defense of corporations and individuals in white collar criminal matters including mortgage and consumer fraud, environmental offenses, Medicare/Medicaid and health care fraud, kickback schemes, antitrust violations, bribery, bid-rigging, embezzlement, official misconduct, RICO, insurance fraud, bank fraud, customs and currency violations, securities fraud, and other financial and business improprieties.

As a trial attorney with the United States Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. for nine years (1974-1983), Linda handled complex civil and regulatory issues (price and allocation controls on petroleum, defense contract audits, housing discrimination claims) and white collar and criminal investigations and prosecutions. She was Chief, Special Projects Branch, and Deputy Chief, Government Fraud Section. She was responsible for supervising criminal investigative task forces in Florida and Puerto Rico probing mortgage fraud, boiler-rooms (telephone solicitation fraud schemes scamming investors), and health care fraud. While at the Justice Department, she received the Attorney General's Special Commendation Award and Attorney's Award from the Association of Federal Investigators (resulting from her supervision over a task force on mortgage fraud).

In addition to criminal litigation, she has handled a variety of complex civil and regulatory matters, including cases involving civil RICO, civil fraud, environmental clean-ups, antitrust claims, insurance, banking, discrimination, intellectual property, patents, SEC enforcement proceedings, franchises, and business disputes.

### SERVICES

White Collar Criminal Defense & Investigations

### EDUCATION

Indiana University, B.A., 1971

Indiana University School of Law, J.D., 1974

### ADMISSIONS

Indiana

In 2008, Linda was the Democratic candidate for Indiana attorney general. She is a former instructor at the FBI Academy, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, Offices of Inspector General and Legal Education Institute and Department of Justice. She is past president, 2003-2009, of the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Merit Board and its predecessor Marion County Sheriff's Merit Board, a founding member and past president of the board of the Indiana Federal Community Defenders Inc., and co-secretary and member of the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Motorcycle Drill Team.

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## Experience

Linda Pence Obtains Settlement in Indianapolis City-County Council Dispute

## Membership & Involvement

- Co-Chair: American Bar Association Complex Crimes Committee, Litigation Section; member of the Litigation and Criminal Justice Sections
- Co-Secretary: Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Motorcycle Drill Team
- Board of Visitors: Indiana University Law School - Indianapolis
- Member: Indiana State Bar Association, Seventh Circuit Bar Association, Federal Bar Association, Indianapolis Chapter, Indianapolis Bar Association, District of Columbia Bar Association, National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers

## Honors

- Martindale-Hubbell AV® Preeminent™ rated
- 2013 Indiana University McKinney School of Law Alumna of the Year
- Received the Indiana Civil Liberties Union Richard S. Zweig Corporate Attorney Award (1997)
- Selected for inclusion in *Chambers USA*: Indiana, Litigation: General Commercial, Band 3
- Selected to Best Lawyers® in Criminal Defense: White-Collar "Lawyer of the Year" in Indianapolis: 2024
- Selected to the Indiana Super Lawyers list: 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025
- Selected to *The Best Lawyers in America*® in White Collar Criminal Defense: 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026
- Selected to *The Best Lawyers in America*® in Commercial Litigation: 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026

## Firm News

130 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Recognized by Best Lawyers® in 2026 in America  
Firm News, August 21, 2025

Amundsen Davis Attorneys Included on the 2025 Indiana Super Lawyers and  
Rising Stars Lists  
Firm News, February 18, 2025

93 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Recognized by Best Lawyers® in 2025 in America  
Firm News, August 15, 2024

Congratulations to the Amundsen Davis Attorneys Included on the 2024 Indiana  
Super Lawyers and Rising Stars Lists  
Firm News, February 28, 2024

77 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Recognized by Best Lawyers® in 2024 in America  
Firm News, August 17, 2023

Congratulations to the Amundsen Davis Attorneys Included on the 2023 Indiana  
Super Lawyers and Rising Stars Lists  
Firm News, *Amundsen Davis*, February 28, 2023

36 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Recognized by *Best Lawyers in America*© 2023  
Firm News, August 18, 2022

5 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Included on 2022 Indiana Super Lawyers and Rising  
Stars Lists  
February 24, 2022

28 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Recognized by *Best Lawyers in America*© 2022  
Firm News, August 19, 2021

4 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Included on 2021 Indiana Super Lawyers and Rising  
Stars Lists  
Firm News, February 25, 2021

24 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Recognized in *Best Lawyers in America*© 2021  
Firm News, August 20, 2020

7 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Included on 2020 Indiana Super Lawyers and Rising  
Stars Lists  
*Amundsen Davis*, February 14, 2020

15 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Named to *Best Lawyers in America*© 2020  
Firm News, August 15, 2019

5 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Included on 2019 Indiana Super Lawyers and Rising  
Stars Lists  
Firm News, January 31, 2019

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12 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Included in Best Lawyers in America© 2019  
Firm News, August 15, 2018

5 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Included on 2018 Indiana Super Lawyers and Rising  
Stars Lists  
Firm News, February 20, 2018

Amundsen Davis Adds Veteran Linda L. Pence to Litigation Practice  
December 4, 2017

### In the Media

The *Bei Bei* Documentary: A Story of an Immigrant Woman and Her Attorney's,  
Linda Pence, Uphill Battle for Justice

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