



## News

### Hinshaw Partner Akeela M. White Selected for Chicago Veterans' "24 in 2024"

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Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP is pleased to announce that Akeela M. White, a partner in the Consumer Financial Services practice group, has been selected by Chicago Veterans among its "24 in 2024" honorees. White and the honorees were recognized at the Chicago Veterans 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Chicago Veterans Ball on Saturday, November 23.

The annual initiative recognizes veterans for significant contributions to their professional fields and communities, professional achievements, and leadership qualities.

[View the full list of honorees in the Chicago Veterans' "24 in 2024" magazine.](#)

Prior to attending law school, White served for eight years with the U.S. Army and was deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Joint Endeavor.

At Hinshaw, White advises national financial services companies on compliance issues related to state and federal laws, including the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (SCRA), Military Lending Act, Telephone Consumer Protection Act, Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA), Consumer Financial Protection Act, and the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (FDCPA). She also defends companies against regulatory investigations and litigation brought by governmental bodies.

A recognized thought leader, White has presented webinars on financial services compliance and legal topics, including FDCPA, SCRA, MLA, FCRA, and student lending. She has also provided Continuing Legal Education and instructed Hinshaw University courses on a variety of compliance topics.

Previously, White was an executive director and assistant general counsel at JPMorgan Chase and also served as Assistant Attorney General in the Office of Illinois Attorney General Consumer Fraud Bureau and the Assistant Bureau Chief for the Military & Veterans Rights Bureau.

In addition to her law practice, she actively supports Chicago-area veterans. As a member of Hinshaw's Veterans Employee Resource Group, she facilitated the firm's sponsorship of the USO Juneteenth 5K and served as a volunteer at the event. White also facilitated the firm's sponsorship table for the USO Salute Gala for Veterans Day. Proceeds of both USO events support USO programs for servicemembers and their families.

#### Attorneys

Akeela M. White

#### Service Areas

Consumer Financial Services

Fair Credit Reporting Act

#### Offices

Chicago



White is a member of VFW Post 311 Benjamin O. Davis, where she has sponsored the Commander's Ball & Scholarship Awards Dinner and volunteered for several Stand Downs for homeless veterans. These events provide support and resources for homeless veterans, including housing, food, clothing, health screenings, and haircuts.

White received her B.A. from Illinois State University and a J.D. from the University of Illinois Chicago School of Law.