



# Victor A. Walton, Jr.

PARTNER

#### Cincinnati

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### **Practice Areas**

Class Actions

False Claims Act and Qui Tam Government Relations

Litigation

Securities, Shareholder Disputes and Corporate Governance

#### **Education**

Georgetown University Law Center, J.D., 1991

Georgetown University School of Foreign Service, B.S.F.S, 1987

#### **Bar & Court Admissions**

Kentucky

North Carolina

Ohio

U.S. Supreme Court

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit

Victor is a partner in the Vorys Cincinnati office and a member of the litigation group. His practice focuses on business counseling and commercial litigation. He has significant experience defending government contractors and health care entities in proceedings brought under the False Claims Act (FCA) by the government or whistleblowers. Victor's work includes complex litigation, including defense of financial institutions and corporations in commercial disputes including multiple class action defense in accounting, consumer, employment and commercial class actions. He has considerable experience in health care, pharmaceutical, lender liability, probate, estate and fiduciary, and construction litigation and represents a broad array of clients in civil, criminal and regulatory government investigations as well as conducting corporate internal investigations.

## Career highlights include:

- Successfully defending government defense contractors in False Claims Act trials against *qui tam* relators
- Represented numerous health care entities in False Claims Act cases based on alleged Stark Act and Anti-Kickback Statute violations
- Successful defense of bank trustees for breach of fiduciary duty claims
- Counseling DME, pharmaceutical start-ups and food producers on applicable Medicare, FDA and USDA regulations
- Defending financial institutions in lender liability actions
- Represented numerous corporations and their employees in Department of Justice and HHS-OIG investigations and grand jury proceedings
- Successfully defending a company in a six-week, multimillion dollar federal environmental criminal trial
- Obtained numerous non-intervention decisions by the Department of Justice for federal contractors in False Claims Act qui tam cases
- Successfully represented client in a unanimous United States Supreme Court decision, *Allison Engine Co., Inc. v. United States ex*



U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit

U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Indiana

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky

U.S. District Court for the Western District of Kentucky

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina

U.S. District Court for the Middle District of North Carolina

U.S. District Court for the Western District of North Carolina

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

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

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

Admitted to practice law only in the states listed above.

#### **Industries**

Construction

Financial Institutions

Health Care

Health Care Litigation

*rel. Sanders*, narrowing the scope of liability under the federal False Claims Act

 Defended financial institutions in nationwide consumer and privacy class actions

Victor is a member of the American Bar Association and the Cincinnati Bar Association.

Victor has spoken on numerous occasions on the False Claims Act, internal investigations, health care law and whistleblower lawsuits to health care and government contractor industry groups and trade associations, including the Ohio Hospital Association.

Victor received his J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center and his B.S.F.S. from Georgetown University School of Foreign Service.

# **Events**

#### Event, 11.16.2023

2023 Vorys Legal Education (VLE) Seminar

#### 10 20 2016

2016 Ohio Council of Behavioral Health & Family Service Providers' Annual Conference

#### 10.13.2016

In-House Essential Conference 2016

#### 5.13.2016

Health Care Fraud & Abuse CLE