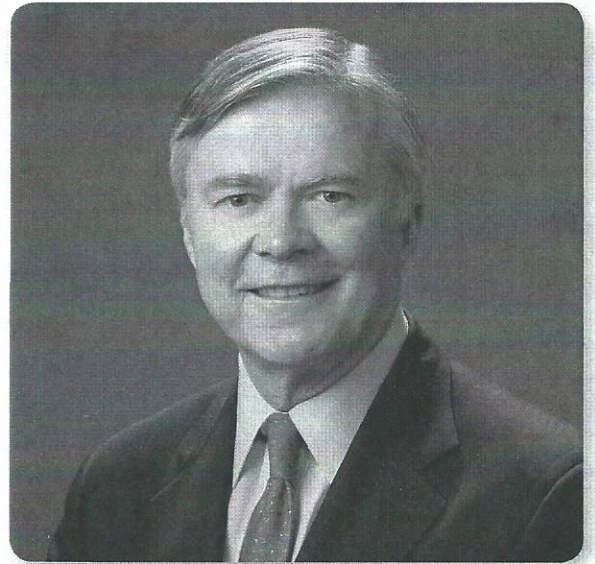


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Practice

Douglas S. Eakeley has broad and deep trial and appellate experience in a wide variety of complex commercial litigation, including securities and derivative litigation, antitrust, civil RICO, products liability, consumer fraud and class actions. He chairs the firm's Antitrust and Trade Regulatory Practice Group and co-chairs the firm's Class Action and Derivative Litigation Practice Group.

The 2008 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*[®] names Mr. Eakeley as a "bet-the-company" litigator for his work in "make or break" litigation, an honor shared by a small, elite segment of litigators nationwide. *Chambers USA Guide to America's Leading Lawyers* (2007) cites Mr. Eakeley's "deep knowledge of securities and class action litigation," leading "many to refer to him as a true dean of the Bar." *Chambers USA* (2006) describes him as "a recommended trial and appellate lawyer with a strong profile in complex commercial litigation . . . Clients speak of his 'calm demeanor, superior intellect and respect with the judiciary,' confirming that 'if you walk into court with him it provides you with credibility.'" And the 2005 edition of *Chambers USA* describes him as "a talented litigator, who has experience in a broad spectrum of commercial issues as well as appellate level cases." Mr. Eakeley is also listed in *The Best Lawyers in America* in the general commercial litigation section of the publication and he is featured in the 2005, 2006 and 2007 editions of *New Jersey Super Lawyers* in the Business Litigation section of *New Jersey Magazine*.

A former Rhodes Scholar and graduate of Yale Law School, Mr. Eakeley served as First Assistant Attorney General of the State of New Jersey. In 1993, he was appointed by President Clinton to the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation, which he chaired until April 2003. In 1997, he received the John Minor Wisdom Public Service and Professionalism Award from the Litigation Section of the American Bar Association Section.

In his more than 35 years as a litigator, Mr. Eakeley has successfully tried numerous matters in federal and state court, and served as lead counsel in cases in which new law was established (in the areas, for example, of consumer fraud class actions, pharmaceutical products liability, antitrust and civil RICO). Mr. Eakeley has also represented various high profile public officials, including the Chief Justice of the New Jersey Supreme Court (in a federal case charging violation of the First Amendment in the closing of the court house to the filming of the riot scene from *The Bonfire of the Vanities*) and the Governor of the State of New Jersey (involving constitutional challenges to the New Jersey Fair Automobile Insurance Reform Act).

Current representative matters

Robertson v. Princeton University: Mr. Eakeley represents the defendants in this nationally prominent derivative litigation that raises a number of issues of first impression involving academic freedom, the fiduciary duties of directors of a "supporting" charitable corporation who are appointed by the "supported" charitable corporation, and donor intent. Alleging, among other things, fraud and breach of fiduciary duty, plaintiffs seek to sever the ties between the University and the Robertson Foundation (a supporting organization, with assets of almost \$1 billion, dedicated to funding the graduate program of the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs) and to surcharge the University an additional several hundred million dollars.