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J. Andrew Watson III

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Andy's Profile

Andy has a special matters practice that supports the Firm's Government Solutions Group. Andy's experiences in transactional, financial, and regulatory matters include:

- General Counsel Services – Legal and strategic business advice including Strategic Planning and Communications, Target Acquisition, Executive Hiring, and Incentive Plans
- Contracts and Compliance Counsel – FAR Counsel, Bid Protests, Claims, Joint Venture Arrangements, Teaming Arrangements, Strategic Entity Formation, Negotiated Government IP Rights, Security Compliance, SBA Rules, and FAA Rules
- Transaction/Finance Counsel – Mergers & Acquisitions, ESOP Financing, Bank/Borrower Counsel in Government Contractor Lending Transactions, State and Local Abatements, Economic Incentives, Bond/Issuer Counsel in Public Finance Transactions, USDA and SBA guaranteed loans

Prior to joining Maynard Cooper, Andy served as a Law Clerk to the Honorable C. Lynwood Smith, Jr., United States District Court, Northern District of Alabama from 1995-1996.

Andy's Awards

- The Best Lawyers in America® for Corporate Law (2015-present); Government Contracts (2016-present); Mergers and Acquisitions Law (2018 - Present)
- Best Lawyers® "Lawyer of the Year" in the area of Corporate Law (2019), Mergers and Acquisitions Law (2022)
- Mid-South Super Lawyers for Business/Corporate Law (2016)
- Alabama Super Lawyers, Business/Corporate Law (2013-2015)

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Andy's Affiliations and Civic Involvement

Affiliations

- American Bar Association, Public Contracts Section
- Alabama Bar Association, Business Section
- National Association of Bond Lawyers
- Huntsville SOF Network
- Huntsville Association of Small Businesses in Advanced Technology
- National Contract Management Association
- Madison County Bar Association, Past Secretary

Civic Involvement

- Russel Hill Cancer Foundation, Board Member
- Asha Kiran (Ray of Hope Women's Help Line)
- National Children's Advocacy Center, Past Board Member
- Huntsville Library Foundation Board, Past Board Member
- First Presbyterian Church of Huntsville

Bar Admissions

State Bar: Alabama

Education

- University of Alabama School of Law
 - (1995, J.D., Alabama Law Review, Member; National Moot Court Team, Order of the Barristers)
- University of Alabama
 - (1992, B.S.)