# Linda L. Pence

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#### 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, 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.

### PARTNER

#### 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.

## 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<sup>®</sup> Preeminent<sup>™</sup> 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<sup>®</sup> 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
- Selected to *The Best Lawyers in America*<sup>®</sup> 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
- Selected to *The Best Lawyers in America*<sup>®</sup> in Commercial Litigation: 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024

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## Firm News

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

92 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

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

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

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

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

30 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Recognized in *Best Lawyers in America*© 2021 August 20, 2020

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

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

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

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

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

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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 Linda L. Pence

