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PRACTICE AREAS

Real Estate | Commercial Finance | Commercial

Jim concentrates his practice in the areas of commercial, industrial and planned unit real estate, and in banking. He has represented developers, lenders, landlords and tenants in a variety of complex and multi-state transactions, and continues to relish the enjoyment of resolving issues to close a transaction successfully. He has led teams on transactions as diverse as the financing of the acquisition and development of a 1,300-acre parcel in Jackson Hole, Wyoming, and a $300 million corporate headquarters facility in Tennessee. Working with other professionals to see projects “come out of the ground” has provided his most satisfying moments.

Mr. Haley’s distinguished legal career, spanning more than 51 years, has earned significant recognition, including his induction as a Fellow of the Tennessee Bar Foundation and his repeated selection among the top lawyers in *The Best Lawyers in America*® and *Mid-South Super Lawyers*.

LEADERSHIP

Jim Haley served as Chairman of the firm for eight years from 2012 to 2020, as well as an earlier eight years of leadership service as the firm’s Managing Partner.

He also served as the 2021-2022 Board Chair of the Greater Chattanooga Area Chamber of Commerce.

EDUCATION

- J.D., University of Tennessee College of Law, 1975
- B.A., University of North Carolina, 1972
    - Morehead Scholar
    - Phi Beta Kappa

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Tennessee

ACCOLADES

- Tennessee Bar Foundation – Fellow, Class of 2026 Inductee

- *The Best Lawyers in America*® – Banking and Finance Law; Real Estate Law; Securitization and Structured Finance Law, since 1995
- *Best Lawyers*® – "Lawyer of the Year" – Securitization & Structured Finance Law, 2020
- *Business Tennessee Magazine* – Best Real Estate Lawyers
- *Mid-South Super Lawyers*®, Real Estate, since 2006
- *Business Tennessee* – "Who's Who in Commercial Real Estate"

MEMBERSHIPS

- Chattanooga Area Chamber of Commerce – Board of Directors and Executive Circle Member, 2021-2022 Board Chair
- Chattanooga Bar Association – Former President
- Tennessee Bar Association – Committee Member
- The Baylor School – Former Trustee
- The Baylor School, Alumni Association – Former President

COMMUNITY

- Lookout Mountain School, Board of Directors – Former Chairman









