

# Heather A. Lee Associate

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Heather Lee focuses her practice on complex commercial litigation, white collar criminal defense, and securities actions. She is dedicated to helping her clients find efficient and creative solutions to complex problems, with a sensitivity to and understanding of their business concerns. She carefully considers all angles of litigation and government investigations to provide thoughtful advice about nuanced issues. Heather regularly defends clients facing a broad range of criminal charges, government investigations, and regulatory enforcement actions. Whether it's an expansive, multi-million dollar fraud investigation or a routine response to a grand jury subpoena, Heather's attention to her clients is unwavering and unmatched.

Heather's experience includes defending clients facing securities fraud class actions, RICO claims, and heath care, mail, and wire fraud charges. Heather also represents auditors responding to PCAOB and SEC inquiries and investigations. Additionally, Heather maintains a robust commercial litigation practice, assisting clients in federal and state courts and before the arbitration tribunals in pursuing or defending claims against business adversaries. Heather is particularly interested in civil fraud matters and has helped clients successfully defend against claims of fraudulent inducement and defeat attempts to assert alter ego liability. She also handles appeals before state and federal appellate courts.

Before completing law school, Heather was a summer associate with Foley.

## Awards and Recognition

 Pro Bono Service and Excellence Award, Federal Bar Association – Tampa Bay Chapter, 2019 and 2023

#### **Affiliations**

Heather is the Tampa office liaison of the firm's Pro Bono Racial Justice and Equity Practice Group

#### **Practice Areas**

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- Business Litigation & Dispute Resolution
- Construction
- False Claims Act
- Government Enforcement Defense & Investigations
- Litigation
- Securities Enforcement & Litigation

#### **Education**

- University of California, Berkeley, School of Law (J.D., 2018)
  - Selected to complete final year of law school, Harvard Law School
  - Member, *Ecology Law Quarterly*
  - Served, East Bay Community Law Center's Health & Welfare Clinic and Harvard Law School's Criminal Justice Institute
- University of South Florida, St. Petersburg (B.A., summa cum laude, 2014)
  - Political Science
  - Minor, Environmental Science & Policy

### **Admissions**

- Florida
- Middle District of Florida
- Northern District of Florida
- Southern District of Florida
- United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit
- United States Court of International Trade

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