



Practice Areas

Antitrust and Trade Regulation
Labor and Employment
Litigation

Education

Vanderbilt University Law School,
J.D., 2001
Vanderbilt Law Review,
Managing Editor, 2000-2001
Denison University, B.A., 1998,
magna cum laude, Phi Beta
Kappa

Judicial Clerkships

The Honorable Terrence W.
Boyle, Chief Judge, United States
District Court for the Eastern
District of North Carolina,
2001-2002

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Mr. Bronson is a partner in the Vorys Cincinnati office and a member of the litigation group. He practices in general litigation with particular experience defending corporations in complex commercial litigation, arbitration, and False Claims Act cases. He also has significant experience in government contracts litigation, class actions, health care fraud and abuse, and environmental litigation.

Career highlights include:

- Trial counsel for client that won a directed verdict after a five week qui tam False Claims Act jury trial
- Tried commercial and business cases to successful verdicts
- Obtained summary judgment on fraud and retaliation claims seeking more than \$1.2 billion relating to NASA Space Shuttle Program
- Defeated United States' claims of Truth in Negotiations Act and contract violations premised on allegations of illegal government contracting
- Represented client successfully in international arbitration involving claims of over \$50 million
- Obtained dismissal of numerous False Claims Act cases prior to discovery
- Represented clients successfully in federal and state courts of appeals
- Successfully represented client in a unanimous United States Supreme Court decision, *Allison Engine Co., Inc. v. United States ex rel. Sanders*, narrowing the scope of liability under the federal False Claims Act

Mr. Bronson is a member of the Warren County Bar Association and the Cincinnati Bar Association, where he serves on the Ethics and Professional Responsibility Committee and the Admissions & Legal

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Education Committee. Mr. Bronson also serves as appointed counsel in the Pro Bono Mediation Program for the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio.

Mr. Bronson has spoken on the False Claims Act and healthcare compliance to the Ohio Hospital Association and the University of Cincinnati College of Law. He has also served as Chair and Moderator of the fraud and False Claims Act panel for the Cincinnati Bar Association Annual Health Care Law Seminar.

Mr. Bronson received his J.D. from Vanderbilt University Law School where he was Managing Editor of the *Vanderbilt Law Review*. He received his B.A. *magna cum laude* from Denison University where he was Phi Beta Kappa.

Before joining Vorys, Mr. Bronson clerked for the Honorable Terrence W. Boyle, Chief Judge of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina.

Publications

"No End in Sight: The Reach of the Federal False Claims Act" *Cincinnati Bar Association Report*, April 2008

"Guard Against False Claims Act Exposure," *Smart Business*, January 2005

"Déjà Vu All Over Again: The Recurring Qui Tam Defendant's Guide to the Underused, Underappreciated, and Unambiguous First-to-File Rule, The Civil False Claims Act and Qui Tam Enforcement," *American Bar Association*, 2004

Client Alert: Vorys False Claims Act Trial Team Obtains Another Victory in Allison Engine

"New Law Targets Banks For Whistle-Blower Actions"

Viewpoint: FCA changes threaten federal aid recipients

"It's the End of the False Claims Act As We Know It"

"A Threat Is Looming: The Proposed False Claims Act Amendments Could Prove Devastating to Government Contractors"

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Honors and Awards

Ohio Super Lawyers Rising Stars, General Litigation, 2006 & 2009-2010

Fellow, Cincinnati Academy of Leadership for Lawyers (CALL) Class XIII,
2009

Commencement speaker at Lebanon (Ohio) High School graduation
ceremony, 2009

Bar and Court Admissions

Ohio

U.S. Supreme Court

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit

U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio