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Edwin G. Foulke, Jr. is a partner in the Atlanta and Washington, D.C. offices. He co-chairs the firm's Workplace Safety and Catastrophe Management Practice Group. Prior to joining Fisher & Phillips, Ed was the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health. Named by President George W. Bush to head OSHA, he served from April 2006 to November 2008. During his tenure at OSHA, workplace injury, illness and fatality rates dropped to their lowest levels in recorded history. For more than 30 years, Ed has worked in the labor and employment area, focusing on occupational safety and health issues, workplace violence risk assessment and prevention, whistleblower protection, and accident and fatality prevention. He also served on the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission in Washington, DC, chairing the Commission from March 1990 to February 1994. Ed was named one of the "50 Most Influential EHS Leaders" by both *EHS Today* and *Occupational Hazards* magazines. He is a member of the Employee Health Safety and Security Special Expertise Panel for the National Society for Human Resource Management and he is "AV" Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell.

Court Admissions

U.S. Supreme Court
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit
U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit

Professional Activities

Member, Workplace Health and Safety Committee for the Society for Human Resource Management from 2000 to 2004, including a two-year term as the committee's chair
Member of the Health and Safety Subcommittee for the U.S. Chamber of Commerce

Community Involvement

Member, Knights of Malta

Areas of Practice

- » Workplace Safety and Health
- » Compliance Audits and Counseling
- » Employment Policies and Procedures
- » Prevention and Compliance Programs
- » Supervisor Training
- » Whistleblower Actions
- » Construction Safety
- » Safety Compliance
- » Workplace Fatality and Catastrophe Response

Bar Admissions

- » District of Columbia
- » Georgia
- » North Carolina
- » South Carolina

Education

- » Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, DC
LL.M. 1993 (Labor Law)
- » Loyola University New Orleans School of Law, New Orleans, LA
J.D. 1978» North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC
B.A. 1974, with honors

Member, Sons of the American Revolution

Published Articles

Catastrophic Workplace Accidents: It Could Happen To You
OSHA Focuses on Construction Issues
Pandemic Preparedness For Employers
Panoramic View: Don't Be Caught Unprepared for Pandemic Challenges
The New Enforcement-Driven OSHA

Newsletter Articles:

The Lucky 13
There's A New Sheriff In Town - President Obama's Enforcement-Driven OSHA
New President, New Labor Agenda

Recognitions

Ed Foulke Named One of the 50 Most Influential Environment, Health and Safety Leaders

Speaking Engagements

Avoiding the New Enforcement Driven OSHA While Achieving Operational Excellence
Through Safety - Houston, TX
Back to Business - Amelia Island, FL
Being in the Top Five Most Dangerous Industries is Nothing to Brag About - Coronado, CA
Dealing With OSHA and What to Expect From Them Under the New Administration, ADA,
FMLA And COBRA, The Lilly Ledbetter Act, EFCA, Respect and Other Changes That May
Be Coming This Year - Houston, TX
Handling OSHA Inspections With Ease - Webinar
HR Academy - Gainesville, GA
OSHA In the Obama Administration - An Update - Various Locations
OSHA Safety and Health - Cherokee, NC
Proactive Strategy for Preparing Your Business to Handle the H1N1 Flu Pandemic -
Webinar
The New Enforcement Driven OSHA and Its Regulatory Outlook - Atlanta, GA
There is A New Sheriff in Town - Charlotte, NC