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## Practice Areas

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- Civil Rights
- Class Actions
- Corporate & Business Law
- Employment
- Insurance Coverage & Bad Faith
- Insurance Defense Litigation
- Municipal Government
- Professional Liability
- Subrogation & Fire Related Casualties

## Education

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- University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 1994
- University of Louisville Louis D. Brandeis School of Law, 1998

## Author & Speaker

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- "Police Officers' Use of Real-Time Cellular Data to Locate Suspects", Editor of the Month, FDCC Civil "Writes", 2025
- "Transgender Issues for Local Governments", TMHCC Claims Seminar, 2022
- "The ABC's of Section 1983 Litigation", DRI Basics Series, 2021
- "Ethical Issues in the Tripartite Relationship", DRI Civil Rights Seminar, 2020
- "The Basics of Section 1983 Litigation", DRI Civil Rights Boot Camp, June 2020
- "Learn from Those Who Know: Jury Trial Tactics During the COVID-19 Pandemic", 2020
- "The Prison Litigation Reform Act", TMHCC Claims Seminar 2017
- "Guns N Government - Regulation of Firearms in Public Buildings", Indiana Conference of Mayors, 2015
- "Risk Management for County Highway Departments", Indiana Association of County Highway Engineers and Superintendents, 2013

- "First Amendment Claims for Public Employees and Claims Arising from Speech at Public Meetings", Midwest Claims Services Seminar, 2011
- "Sword and Shield: A Practical Approach to Section 1983 Litigation, Fifth Edition, Author Chapter 3 Defendant's Litigation Strategy Considerations", 5th Edition
- "42 U.S.C.sec.1983 - The Basics", Defense Research Institute (DRI) Civil Rights and Governmental Tort Liability Seminar, 2004
- "In or Out - Should It Matter; Does 42 U.S.C.sec. 1997a Apply to Claims of Former Prisoners?", Defense Research Institute (DRI) Governmental Liability Committee Newsletter, Winter, 2004

## **Distinctions**

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- Selected for inclusion on the Rising Stars list published in Indiana Super Lawyers Magazine (2010-2012)
- Named 2018 Attorney of the Year by the Public Risk Group of Tokio Marine HCC
- Martindale Hubbell Rated "AV Preeminent"

## **Involvement**

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### **Memberships**

- Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel (FDCC) - Vice Chair Civil Rights and Public Entity Committee (current)
- International Association of Defense Counsel, Past Member
- Defense Research Institute (DRI) - Governmental Liability Section Governmental Liability Committee Chair 2014-2016 Vice Chair 2012-2014 Seminar Chair 2011 Seminar Vice Chair 2010 Also held roles as Publications Chair, Newsletter Editor, Webcast Chair, Annual Meeting Steering Committee
- Defense Research Institute (DRI) - President
- Defense Trial Counsel of Indiana (DTCI) - Former Member of the Board of Directors
- Floyd County Bar Association (FCBA) - President, 2005-2006
- Indiana State Bar Association (ISBA)
- Inn of Court
- Kentucky Bar Association (KBA)

- Louisville Bar Association (LBA)
- Kentucky Defense Counsel – Board of Directors
- One Southern Indiana

## Admissions

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- Indiana, 1999
- Kentucky, 1998
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Indiana
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Indiana
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Kentucky
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Kentucky
- U.S. Court of Appeals, 7th Circuit

## Biography

R. Jeffrey Lowe is a partner in Kightlinger & Gray, LLP, in New Albany, Indiana and Louisville, Kentucky. He is chair of the Employment and Civil Rights practice group. He regularly defends governmental entities and their employees throughout Southern Indiana and Kentucky. His practice focuses on defense of governmental entities and their employees on issues ranging from constitutional torts to zoning matters to employment issues, as well as state law claims made against his governmental clients. He regularly presents to local law enforcement officials regarding constitutional liability issues surrounding their actions. He also regularly presents to local governmental officials on the constitutional implications of their decisions. Jeff is the current President of DRI and has served as the Chair of DRI's Civil Rights and Governmental Tort Liability Section and has presented at multiple DRI Governmental Liability meetings. Jeff is a member of the Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel and is a former member of the International Association of Defense Counsel. He also serves as a member of the Board of Directors of the Kentucky Defense Counsel (KDC) and was a former member of the Board of Directors of the Defense Trial Counsel of Indiana (DTCI). Jeff served as a member of the DTCI contingent of the joint Indiana Trial Lawyers Association/Defense Trial Counsel of Indiana Commission on the Resumption of Jury Trials in Indiana. Jeff is rated "AV" Preeminent by Martindale Hubbell. Jeff is also an Indiana certified mediator and would be happy to assist in the resolution of your cases.