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Practice Areas

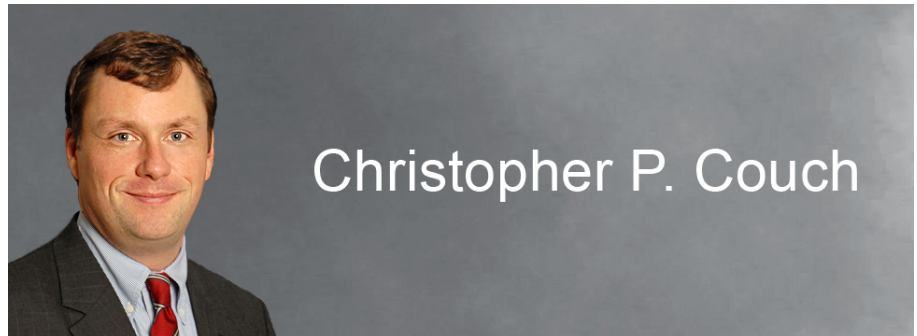
Banking & Financial Services
Biotechnology & Life Sciences
Corporate & Securities
Investment Management
Legal Services
Project Development & Finance
The JOBS Act Resource Page
Venture Capital & Emerging Companies

Bar Admissions

Alabama, 2002
Florida, 2010

Education

The University of Alabama School of Law, J.D., 2002, *magna cum laude*; Alabama Editor, *Alabama Law Review*, 2001–2002
Birmingham-Southern College, B.A. in English, 1995



Christopher Couch is a special counsel in the firm's Banking & Financial Services Practice Group and practices from the firm's Birmingham office. His practice includes advising banks and other financial institutions on regulatory and operational matters, civil and regulatory actions involving commercial and regulatory claims, and compliance with banking and lending laws and regulations. He has advised large regional banks with respect to consumer compliance issues regarding new products and services including payment systems.

Mr. Couch also has experience advising privately held businesses on corporate governance and securities issues, including private placement of equity securities, corporate and project finance, and recapitalizations.

Prior to joining Jones Walker, Mr. Couch served as Vice President of Strategy and General Counsel of New Gas Concepts, Inc. In these roles, Mr. Couch directed all aspects of legal policy and project development strategy for the firm, which was involved in alternative energy projects. From 2005–2007, Mr. Couch was a Banking and Securities attorney with Miller, Hamilton, Snider & Odom, which merged with Jones Walker in September 2008.

Mr. Couch is a 2002 graduate of The University of Alabama School of Law, where he received his juris doctor degree, *magna cum laude*. During law school, he served the Alabama Editor on the *Alabama Law Review* from 2001–2002.

Noteworthy

- Named a "Rising Star" in the areas of Banking & Business/Corporate in the 2011 edition of *Alabama Super Lawyers*

- Named one of Birmingham's "Top Attorneys" 2012 in the area of Corporate Finance by *Birmingham Magazine*
 - **AV® Peer Review Rating in Martindale-Hubbell**
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Presentations

- "Raising Capital in a Challenging Environment"
February 9, 2010
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Publications

- "Fair Lending Revisited"
Banking Traditions, September 1, 2010
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Memberships

- Alabama State Bar
 - American Bar Association (Member, Section of Business Law, Middle Market & Small Business Committee)
 - The Florida Bar
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Court Admissions

M.D. Ala.

N.D. Ala.

S.D. Ala.