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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* (2010 and 2011) and *Occupational Hazards* (2008) 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

"5 Things Employers Can Do to Effectively Manage Their Safety and Health Compliance Program" - *Corporate Compliance Insights* - March 2011

Newsletter Articles:

The Lucky 13

There's A New Sheriff In Town - President Obama's Enforcement-Driven OSHA

New President, New Labor Agenda

Recognitions:

Fisher & Phillips Attorney Named One of 50 Most Influential Environment, Health and Safety Leaders

Speaking Engagements:

100% Compliance With OSHA Recordkeeping - Anything Else Will Be Costly - Webinar

Back to Business - Amelia Island, FL

Effectively Handling an Enforcement Driven OSHA While Achieving Operational

Excellence and Profitability Through Safety - Las Vegas, NV

Effectively Handling an OSHA Inspection: How to Legally Protect Your Rights - Webinar

OSHA In the Obama Administration - An Update - Various Locations

Risk Management and Legal Aspects - BC 6300 - Atlanta, GA

Uniting Safety and Health - Nashville, TN

Unsafe Employees: How to Fix - or Fire - Them and Minimize Your Legal Risks - Webinar

What To Do When OSHA Comes Calling - State College, PA