

## **BARTLIT BECK FOUNDING PARTNER MARK FERGUSON INDUCTED AS A FELLOW OF THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF TRIAL LAWYERS**



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Mark E. Ferguson, a founding partner of Bartlit Beck LLP, has become a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, one of the premier legal associations in North America.

The special induction ceremony at which Mark became a Fellow took place before an audience of 561 during the recent 2020 Spring Meeting of the College in Tucson, Arizona. The meeting had a total attendance of 679.

Founded in 1950, the College is composed of the best of the trial bar from the United States and Canada. Fellowship in the College is extended by invitation only and only after careful investigation, to those experienced trial lawyers of diverse backgrounds, who have mastered the art of advocacy and whose professional careers have been marked by the highest standards of ethical conduct, professionalism, civility and collegiality. Lawyers must have a minimum of fifteen years trial experience before they can be considered for Fellowship.

Membership in the College cannot exceed one percent of the total lawyer population of any state or province. There are currently approximately 5,800 members in the United States, Canada and Puerto Rico, including active Fellows, Emeritus Fellows, Judicial Fellows (those who ascended to the bench after their induction) and Honorary Fellows. The College maintains and seeks to improve the standards of trial practice, professionalism, ethics, and the administration of justice through education and public statements on independence of the judiciary, trial by jury, respect for the rule of law, access to justice, and fair and just representation of all parties to legal proceedings. The College is thus able to speak with a balanced voice on important issues affecting the legal profession and the administration of justice.

Mark is resident in Bartlit Beck's Chicago office, and has been practicing law for 36 years. He received his B.S.J. from Northwestern University's Medill School of Journalism and his J.D., magna cum laude, from the University of Michigan Law School, where he served as Executive Note Editor of the Michigan Law Review.

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