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John T. Woodson is an associate in the Chicago, Illinois, office of Jackson Lewis P.C. He assists clients in the areas of employment litigation as well as labor and preventative practices.

John enjoys helping employers with a wide range of employment and labor law issues by providing them the highest level of individualized attention, responsiveness, and service possible.

John devotes a significant portion of his practice to litigation in both state and federal courts and administrative agencies. He has used his broad litigation experience to achieve favorable results for employers relating to hiring and firing, sexual harassment, wage and hour issues, labor law, employee benefits, and non-competition agreements and restrictive covenants.

Examples of John's litigation successes include federal court summary judgment victories in due process and equal protection claims arising under the U.S. Constitution, as well as claims arising under Title VII, the ADEA, the FLSA, ERISA and state law. John has also successfully upheld several victories before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit.

Before joining Jackson Lewis, John served as a law clerk to Chief Justice Patience D. Roggensack and Justice Daniel Kelley at the Wisconsin Supreme Court, and as a temporary law clerk to Magistrate Judge Nancy Joseph at the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin.

While attending Marquette University Law School, John served as managing editor of the *Marquette Law Review* and as a research assistant to Dean Joseph D. Kearney, where he conducted research on the development and evolution of property rights along Chicago's lakefront. John also served as a judicial intern to then-Chief Justice Shirley S. Abrahamson at the Wisconsin Supreme Court.

## Honors and Recognitions

- *The Best Lawyers in America*®, "Ones to Watch: Labor and Employment Law – Management" and "Ones to Watch: Litigation – Labor and Employment" (2024-present)

## Practices

- Class Actions and Complex Litigation
- Employment Litigation
- Healthcare
- Trials and Appeals
- Manufacturing
- Retail

## Education

- Marquette University Law School, J.D. 2016
- Purdue University, B.A. 2012

## Admitted to Practice

- Illinois - N.D. Ill. 2025
- Illinois 2025
- Illinois - S.D. Ill. 2024
- 4th Circuit Court of Appeals 2023
- 7th Circuit Court of Appeals 2019
- Wisconsin - W.D. Wis. 2018
- Wisconsin - E.D. Wis. 2016
- Wisconsin 2016