

Ankney, Gordon L.

THOMPSON COBURN LLP

Gordon Ankney's practice concentrates in the criminal defense of "white collar" and environmental crimes in state and federal courts. He also handles commercial and tort defense. Mr. Ankney has been involved in complex class action lawsuits and worked closely with litigation and computer support firms. Mr. Ankney is co-chair of the corporate compliance, investigation and defense practice group.

Distinction

As a trial attorney, Mr. Ankney has tried over 200 jury trials. He was appointed a special prosecutor on many notable cases throughout Missouri and in 1982 he was recognized as Missouri's Outstanding Prosecutor of the Year by the Missouri Association of Prosecuting Attorneys.

Over the past fifteen years, Mr. Ankney has successfully represented corporate clients at trial in federal and state courts in Missouri, Illinois, Kansas, Iowa, Alabama and Maryland.

Mr. Ankney is the head of the firm's technology committee and has made extensive use of computers for trial preparation and courtroom presentation. He has lectured on trial advocacy, search responses, defense of environmental crimes and the use of computers in the courtroom.

Professional Affiliations

- American Board of Trial Advocates
- The Missouri Bar
- American Bar Association
White Collar Criminal Section
- Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis

Licensure

- Missouri, 1973

Honors/Recognition

- **The Best Lawyers in America 2006** (Commercial Litigation)
- **Chambers USA 2006**
Identified as a "leading individual" in the State of Missouri, practicing in the white collar crime and government investigations area. Described by others practicing in the field as, "Excellent and very experienced – he really knows how to try a case."
- **The Best Lawyers in St. Louis 2006**



Education

- **Ohio State University
College of Law**
(J.D., 1973)
- **Washington University**
(B.S.B.A., 1967)

Military

- **U.S. Naval Mobile
Construction Battalion
Eleven (Seabees)**
Honorable discharge
with rank of Lieutenant

Primary Practice Areas

- White Collar Criminal
Defense
- Environmental Criminal
Defense
- Commercial and Tort
Litigation

Representative Clients

- Burlington Northern &
Santa Fe Railway
- Charter
Communications
- Continental Grain
- DaimlerChrysler
- Deffenbaugh Industries
- MOL (America)
- Norfolk Southern
- Shell Pipe Line Corporation
- The Pillsbury Company
- Thermal Science, Inc.