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Lela Hollabaugh has served as the lead trial lawyer in more than a dozen jury trials, as well as more than two dozen bench trials, arbitrations and administrative hearings. She advises leading natural gas pipeline companies and other infrastructure clients on issues involving location, land acquisition, construction and operations. Recently, she co-authored an amicus curiae brief to the U.S. Supreme Court in support of the industry's position in the scope of the Natural Gas Act and the state's 11th Amendment immunity. Lela is currently advising on several large-scale pipeline projects in the east. She also represents leading pharmaceutical, medical device, and other manufacturers in matters ranging from individual lawsuits to mass tort cases. She is actively involved in products liability and mass tort matters around the country.

Lela has served in several leadership positions in legal, industry, and government organizations. She is the former managing partner of Bradley's Nashville office. She is general counsel to the Nashville Bar Association, a trustee of the Nashville Bar Foundation, past president of the Nashville Bar Association, and a past member of the International Association of Defense Counsel's Board of Directors. Lela is a past chair of the Tennessee Board of Professional Responsibility and is listed on the American Arbitration Association's (AAA) Roster of Neutrals for Commercial Litigation. She holds a J.D. and B.S. (with honors) from the University of Tennessee.