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Frohsin & Barger hangs out shingle:

The Birmingham legal team that successfully defended a Huntsville defense contractor against government prosecution last year is striking out on its own.

Partners Henry Frohsin and Jim Barger and associate Elliot Walthall are forming Frohsin & Barger after working together at Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz.

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The three spearheaded the defense of Axion Corp., which was tried last year by the federal government for exporting a drawing of a military helicopter to China. The trial collapsed after seven days, and was dismissed by the judge, who called the government's case weak and flawed.

The new firm will concentrate on government whistleblower cases and white-collar criminal defense.

"The economy is at its worst since 1929, I am 65 years old, and I am starting a new business," said Frohsin, a former prosecutor in the Birmingham U.S. attorney's office. "I must be crazy." Russell Hubbard

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