



Christina U. Douglas

“Chris”

Profile

Chris is experienced in all phases of civil trial and appellate practice, having tried jury and non-jury cases to verdict and argued appeals. Her practice has focused on product liability litigation representing clients in the pharmaceutical, automotive, and tobacco industries. She is skilled in defending clients in class actions, multidistrict litigation, and other coordinated proceedings. In addition, she has significant trial experience in the following areas: municipality defense, personal injury, civil rights, premises liability, workers' compensation, business torts, and professional malpractice.

Chris transitioned to the Firm's Case Management Facility Practice Team in 2006, adding her significant complex litigation expertise to the CMF's focus on partnering with corporate clients to improve the quality of litigation management and contain costs. A significant part of Chris' work involves counseling clients on the proactive development of strategies for reducing spend without interfering with tactical business and other objectives.

Areas of Practice

*Product Liability
Litigation/
Case Management*

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Professional Activities

North Carolina Bar Association, Medico-Legal Liaison Committee (Chair, 2008-2010); Named as Rising Star in the 2010 Edition of *Benchmark Litigation: The Definitive Guide to America's Leading Litigation Firms and Attorneys*; Forsyth County and 21st Judicial District Bar Association; Tennessee Bar Association; North Carolina Association of Defense Lawyers; Speaker, National Business Institute Seminar, "Personal Injury Trials: Getting The Most Out Of Your Evidence," (2007); Lex Mundi Institute Alumnus; Member, Piedmont Triad Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society for Law and Public Policy Studies; National Center for State Courts, Lawyers Committee Member.

Admitted to bar: Tennessee, 1993; North Carolina; 1998.

Admitted to the United States District Court for the Western and Middle Districts of Tennessee; the Eastern, Western and Middle Districts of North Carolina; and the United States Supreme Court.

Civic Activities

Graduate of Leadership Winston-Salem, Human Relations Committee (2006-2007); Rotary Club International, Stratford Club Fellowship Chairperson (2001, 2007-

2008); American Heart Association, Firm Chairperson for the American Heart Walk (2003); Board of Directors, Mental Health Association of Forsyth County (1998-2003); Board of Trustees, Historic Bethabara Park (2007 to present; Chair, 2009); United Way, Women's Leadership Council (2010).

Education

B.A., 1989, University of Mississippi

J.D., 1993, University of Memphis, Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law

- Christina U. Douglas, comment, *Jones v. Jones: Overcoming the Presumption of Delivery*, 22 *U. of Mem.L. Rev.* 187 (1991)
- American Jurisprudence Award - Trial Advocacy
- Kemp Stallings Memorial Scholarship
- Student Bar Association Class Service Award

Prior Legal Experience

Associate, Farrar & Bates, LLP, Nashville, Tennessee, 1995-1997; Assistant General Counsel, Tennessee Department of Revenue, Nashville, Tennessee, 1994-1995; Judicial Clerk, Eleventh Judicial District of Tennessee, Chattanooga, Tennessee, 1993-1994.

Firm Management

Budget Committee (2010-2012); Diversity Committee (2003 to 2008); International Law Committee (2005 to present); Associates Committee (Member Advisor, 2004-2006); Recruiting Committee (2000-2003).