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Currently serving as national coordinating counsel for target benzene defendant, which requires development of trial strategy and supervision of local counsel, as well as leading a trial team

Currently defending owner of a tractor trailer in a lawsuit relating to a fatal collision with a juvenile on an ATV

Currently defending publicly traded corporation and its wholly owned subsidiary accused of theft of a competitor's trade secrets

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Successfully defended national wireless telephone company, its subsidiary, and former officers of subsidiary for claims related to the subsidiary's initial public offering in one trial, two arbitrations, and an appeal to the Mississippi Supreme Court (Sullivan v. Mounger, 882 So. 2d 129)

Successfully tried lawsuit by former partner relating to dissolution of an accounting firm, including appeal to the Mississippi Supreme Court (Koury v. Ready, 911 So. 2d 441)

Prosecuted successful claim by minority shareholders for value of stock in corporate transaction, and, on appeal, persuaded the Mississippi Supreme Court to affirm the trial court's verdict (Richton Bank & Trust Co., 798 So. 2d. 1268)

Recently defended international law firm for advice to company's board of directors relating to a corporate merger and achieved an advantageous settlement for our client

Obtained a favorable settlement for our client, an international accounting firm, related to malpractice and conspiracy claims regarding disputed tax planning

Favorably resolved litigation against the former directors and majority shareholders of international, closely held telecom company in adversary proceeding brought by bankruptcy Trustee

Specific Areas of Practice/Main Focus

Commercial Litigation

Insurance

Personal Injury

Product Liability

Professional Liability

Toxic Tort

**Education**

University of Mississippi School of Law, J.D. (magna cum laude)  
 Mississippi State University, Bachelor of Professional Accountancy (magna cum laude)

**Bar Admissions**

Mississippi, 1995

U.S. District Court for Northern and Southern Districts of Mississippi

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

