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Practice Areas

Banking & Financial
Services Litigation
Business & Commercial
Litigation
Class Action Defense &
Multi-District Litigation
Environmental & Toxic Torts
Insurance Coverage and
Litigation Practice
Products Liability
Professional Liability

Bar Admissions

Alabama, 1990
Mississippi, 2003

Education

The University of Alabama
School of Law, J.D., 1990;
Alabama Law Review; Hugo
Black L. Scholar; Sam H.
Hamner Scholarship; Urban
State Government Award
Jacksonville State University,
B.A., 1987, with distinction
and special honors



Emily Bonds is a partner in the firm's Business & Commercial Litigation Practice Group and practices from the firm's Birmingham office. Her practice focuses on the areas of litigation and alternative dispute resolution.

Ms. Bonds has represented clients in a wide array of commercial litigation, including professional liability litigation, coverage litigation, products liability, mass torts, and class action litigation. Ms. Bonds' practice extends to all state and federal courts in Alabama and Mississippi. In addition to her substantial and varied litigation experience, she is a trained mediator. Ms. Bonds is admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court; the U.S. District Court for the Northern, Middle and Southern Districts of Alabama; and the U.S. District Court for the Northern and Southern Districts of Mississippi. She is also admitted to practice before the 5th and 11th Circuit Courts of Appeal.

Ms. Bonds was named Lawyer of the Year by the Birmingham Legal Secretaries Association. She is a member of the Alabama Defense Lawyers Association, Alabama State Bar, American Bar Association, The Mississippi Bar, and the Birmingham Bar Association, where she serves as President of the Section of Alternative Dispute Resolution. Ms. Bonds is also the Past President of the Jacksonville State University Alumni Association.

Ms. Bonds earned her bachelor of arts degree, with distinction and special honors, from Jacksonville State University, and her juris doctor degree from The University of Alabama School of Law. She is listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*® 2012 (Copyright 2011 by Woodward/White, Inc., Aiken, SC) in the area of Insurance Law and was recently named one of Birmingham Magazine's "Top Attorneys" in the area of Insurance Defense Law.

Noteworthy

- Listed in the 2012 edition of *Alabama Super Lawyers* in the areas of Professional Liability: Defense, Civil Litigation Defense, and Personal Injury Defense: Products
- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*® 2012 (Copyright 2011 by Woodward/White, Inc., Aiken, SC) in the area of Insurance Law
- Named one of "Top 40 Under 40" by the *Birmingham Business Journal* (2004)
- Named "Lawyer of the Year" by the Birmingham Legal Secretaries Association (2007)
- Named one of Birmingham's "Top Attorneys" 2012 in the area of Insurance Defense by *Birmingham Magazine*
- **AV® Peer Review Rating in Martindale-Hubbell**

Representative Matters

- *Maloof v. John Hancock Life Insurance Co., et al.*, 60 So. 3d 263 (Ala. Sept. 30, 2010)
- *Boone v. Health Strategies, Inc.*, 2007 WL 2332696 (M.D. Ala. Aug. 15, 2007)
- *Philadelphia American Life Insurance Company v. Bender*, 893 So. 2d 1104 (Ala. 2004)
- *Densmore v. Jefferson County*, 813 So. 2d 844 (Ala. 2001)
- *English v. Capital Risk Management*, 2001 WL 910412 (M.D. Ala. 2001)
- *Ex Parte Foster*, 758 So. 2d 516 (Ala. 1999)
- *Georgia Power Company v. Partin*, 727 So. 2d 2 (Ala. 1998)

Presentations

- "The Mechanics of Alabama Civil Procedure"
Birmingham, AL, December 17, 2010

Memberships

- Alabama Defense Lawyers Association
 - Alabama State Bar
 - American Bar Association
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- Birmingham Bar Association (Executive Committee, 2012 to date; Section of Alternative Dispute Resolution, President, 2012 to date, President-Elect, 2011, Secretary, 2009–2010)
- Brookwood Baptist Church
- Jacksonville State University Alumni Association (President, 2010 to date)
- Mississippi Bar

Court Admissions

U.S. Supreme Court

5th Cir.

11th Cir.

M.D. Ala.

N.D. Ala.

S.D. Ala.

N.D. Miss.

S.D. Miss.

