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## Bridget Harris demonstrates tenacity, grit and trial skills in court.

Bridget lives by the mantra “everything in life is negotiable.” Prior to receiving her law degree, she honed her trial skills leading trial advocacy teams for more than a decade, and as a result, is not afraid to step in a courtroom and argue a case. She tirelessly advocates for her clients day-in and day-out, whether through mediation, arbitration, or arguing in court. With her law degree, Bridget has already spent 22 days in trial and has secured five clients of her own. She hails from the Southside of Atlanta.

Most recently, she accepted an Adjunct Professor of Law position at The University of Alabama School of Law, where she enjoys teaching Civil Pre-Trial Advocacy. She was also selected as one of the finest law firm writers of 2020 by the Burton Awards, a national program run in association with the Library of Congress and presented by *Law360* for an article that she co-authored “**Diversity’s Next Step: Developing Minority Partners.**” She primarily practices in the areas of product liability, catastrophic injury, medical malpractice and commercial litigation.

Bridget’s passion for the courtroom—her adult playground as she likes to call it—began at a young age. As captain of her high school mock trial team, she won a national championship at the age of 16. She continued this pursuit in college and went on to serve as captain of the award-winning Trial Advocacy Competition Team at The University of Alabama School of Law, which she led to the semi-finals during the 2017 National Trial Competition sponsored by the American College of Trial Lawyers.

Prior to law school, Bridget served the Alabama educational community as a Teach for America Corps member, mentoring and sharing career preparedness tips with students at Lee High School in Montgomery. She continues to serve those in need through the Birmingham Bar Volunteer Lawyers Program and Girls Inc. of Central Alabama.

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## PRACTICE AREAS

Product Liability  
Catastrophic Injury  
Medical Malpractice  
Commercial Litigation  
Automotive

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## EDUCATION

University of Alabama School of Law (J.D.)  
Georgia State University (B.A., *cum laude*)

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## BAR ADMISSIONS

Alabama

These pro bono experiences have allowed Bridget the opportunity to work with and help individuals from all walks of life. She understands what it takes to make clients feel comfortable about their legal situations, and she always brings a solution-focused perspective to the table. Bridget is also a member of the firm's Hiring Committee, where she assists in bringing the best talent to Lightfoot.

Away from the office, Bridget is involved with her church and enjoys spending time with family, gardening, watching basketball and playing the violin. She has a passion for seeing the world and has set a goal of traveling to a new country each year.

## PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

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Alabama Defense Lawyers Association (ADLA)

Alabama State Bar, Helping Heroes in Healthcare Task Force, member (2020-22)

BBA Birmingham Regional Economic Council, member

Birmingham Bar Association, Young Lawyers Section, Executive Committee (2018-22)

Defense Research Institute (DRI), Corporate Expo Committee; Social Media Committee chair, (2018-20),

Counsel Meetings Subcommittee, member (2020-22)

Girls Inc. of Central Alabama, Committee of 25, (2018-21)

Grace House, Junior Board Committee, (2018-19)

The Order of Barristers, (2017)

## AWARDS

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The Burton Awards, Distinguished Legal Writing Award (2020)

Michigan Trial Tournament, "Best Cross Examination Attorney Award," (2015)

The National Black Lawyers, "Alabama's Top 40 Under 40 Lawyers" (2019-21)

National Trial Competition, semi-finalist (2017)

Regional Mock Trial, champion (2008-09)

Regional Trial Advocacy Competition, champion (2017)

State and National Mock Trials, champion (2008)

University of Alabama School of Law, Dean's Community Service Award, Student Pro Bono Award, Order of the Samaritan (2017)

## PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

Presenter, "Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Panel," *Alabama Defense Lawyers Association* (2021)

Author, "Georgia Surface Water Law," *Alabama Resources Law: A Comparative Treatise*, Scheduled for 2020

## COURT ADMISSIONS

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U.S. Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit  
U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Alabama  
U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Alabama  
U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Alabama  
Supreme Court of Alabama