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Chris fights to win.

Chris represents clients in a broad range of practice areas, including product liability, automotive, healthcare, commercial disputes and toxic torts. Whether it's representing multinational corporations facing product liability actions in forums across the country or Alabama doctors accused of medical malpractice, he aggressively, creatively and efficiently represents his clients in every facet of litigation. Chris takes pride in fighting tirelessly for his clients and providing solutions to their most challenging legal problems.

An active member of the legal community, Chris is a member of the Defense Research Institute (DRI) and has presented at DRI's Product Liability Conference. Since 2014, he has been recognized by Thomson Reuters' *Super Lawyers* as a "Rising Star" for his product liability and medical malpractice defense work. *B-Metro* magazine also named him as a "Rising Star of the Bar" in 2013.

Chris graduated from Auburn University with a degree in economics before attending the Cumberland School of Law at Samford University, where he served on the Editorial Board of the *Cumberland Law Review* and graduated with honors. He is a Birmingham native and is proud to call the Magic City home. Outside the office, Chris is a member of the Cathedral Church of the Advent and is an avid Auburn fan. Most importantly, he is a proud husband and the co-founder of two beautiful children who thankfully look like their mother.

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Alabama Defense Lawyers Association (ADLA)

Defense Research Institute (DRI)

AWARDS

Benchmark Litigation, "40 & Under Hot List" (2020)

PRACTICE AREAS

Product Liability
Commercial Litigation
Healthcare
Medical Malpractice
Environmental & Toxic Torts
Corporate Plaintiff's Litigation
Pharma & Medical Device
Automotive
Fire & Explosion
Catastrophic Injury

EDUCATION

Samford University, Cumberland
School of Law (J.D., *cum laude*)
Auburn University (B.A.)

BAR ADMISSIONS

Alabama

The Best Lawyers in America® "Ones to Watch" by BL Rankings — Medical Malpractice Law, Personal Injury Litigation, Product Liability Litigation (2021-23)

The Best Lawyers in America® by BL Rankings — Commercial Litigation, Medical Malpractice Law, Product Liability Litigation (2024)

Birmingham Business Journal, "Rising Star in Law" (2019)

B-Metro magazine, "Rising Star of the Bar" (2013)

Mid-South Super Lawyers by Thomson Reuters, "Rising Star" — Product Liability (2014-24)

PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

Author, "Big Brother is not just watching, he's suing: Medicare's secondary payor statute evolves in aggressive pursuit of fiscal integrity," *Cumberland Law Review*, Vol. 41, Issue 1, (2010)

COURT ADMISSIONS

U.S. Court of Appeals for the 4th 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