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Haley Cox knows from experience that winning takes work and attention to detail.

Haley tries cases and leads defense teams in a wide range of high-stakes cases, including claims of product defect, medical malpractice and serious personal injuries. She is admitted to the Alabama and Texas bars, and she has litigated in more than a dozen states.

Haley understands what it takes to win: the truth, hard work and delivering the client's story so it resonates with judges and juries. She also understands that winning is different to every client and in every case. A win may be a fair and swift resolution, or it may mean fighting all the way to a verdict. Either way, opponents know that Haley – like every Lightfoot lawyer – is prepared to take the case as far as it needs to go.

For more than 10 years, Haley has been instrumental in recruiting the next generation of Lightfoot lawyers to serve the firm's clients. She is committed to carrying out Lightfoot's mission of hiring only the most talented, driven and diverse lawyers, and then training them the right way.

Benchmark Litigation recognized Haley as a 2018 "Local Litigation Star." Since 2014, she has been named annually by *Mid-South Super Lawyers* as a "Rising Star" and, in 2018, was named a "Rising Star of Law" by the *Birmingham Business Journal*. She has also been selected for the Alabama State Bar's Leadership Forum.

Outside of work, Haley's true loves are her family, Alabama football, running and good wine.

EXPERIENCE

- Successfully defending an OB-GYN against a multimillion-dollar medical malpractice claim
- Spending seven weeks in three different high-stakes jury trials in less

PRACTICE AREAS

Automotive
Commercial Transportation
Product Liability
Medical Malpractice
Catastrophic Injury
Consumer Fraud & Bad Faith
Professional Liability

EDUCATION

Samford University,
Cumberland School of Law
(J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2006)
University of Alabama (B.S.,
summa cum laude, 2003)

BAR ADMISSIONS

Alabama (2006)
Texas (2017)

than a year's time.

- Obtaining a defense verdict from a jury in a trial where the plaintiff sought an eight-figure medical malpractice verdict against a physician. Haley gave the opening statement, and she conducted direct and cross-examinations of key witnesses and experts.
- Bringing first-chair experience to an arbitration, defending a client against multimillion-dollar allegations of fraud and gross negligence.
- Serving on Lightfoot's trial team defending a national transportation client in a Texas wrongful death/product liability case. The team obtained the exclusion of the plaintiff's key expert witness and subsequently won summary judgment on all counts.

PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

Judicial Panel Moderator, "Trends and Judicial Insights for Trial Lawyers," Network of Trial Firms, (October 2018)

AWARDS

Alabama State Bar Leadership Forum (Class 11)

Alabama Super Lawyers, "Rising Star" —Civil Litigation: Defense (2014-15)

Benchmark Litigation, "Top 250 Women in Litigation" (2020)

Benchmark Litigation, "Future Star" — Consumer Litigation, Medical Malpractice, Product Liability, Professional Liability (2018-20)

Birmingham Business Journal, "Rising Star of Law" (2018)

Mid-South Super Lawyers, "Rising Star" — Litigation Defense (2016-19)