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Biography

A Nashville, Georgia, native, Daniel Lovein practices in the areas of workers' compensation defense, premise liability, medical malpractice, real estate, school law, and local government law.

Experience

Education

Daniel has served as local counsel for Professional Association of Georgia Educators. As a result of this representation, Daniel has had an opportunity to defend and/or assist many Georgia educators when adverse action has been taken against them.

Services

Aging Services

Education

Governmental Liability

Labor & Employment

Medical Malpractice

Premises Liability

Real Estate

Transportation

Workers' Compensation

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Governmental Liability

Daniel has served as counsel representing several cities and counties throughout South Georgia in the defense of all types of claims including employment related claims, 1983 actions, and other civil rights claims.

Labor & Employment

Daniel is committed to helping employers avoid, resolve, and prevail in employment disputes involving the full range of employment and labor issues. This includes litigation in state and federal courts and the representation of employers before administrative agencies over claims including discrimination, harassment, retaliation, accommodation, and state torts such as negligent supervision and hiring, intentional and negligent infliction of emotional distress, defamation, invasion of privacy, and wrongful discharge allegations.

Medical Malpractice

Daniel has served as counsel defending physicians and hospitals in medical malpractice actions for much of his legal career. He has extensive experience in defending all types of medical claims from the filing of the lawsuit through trial.

Premises Liability

Daniel has extensive experience in defending property owners in premises liability actions. Specifically, Daniel has defended many “slip and fall” actions as well as other premises liability claims for many employers and property owners throughout South Georgia.

Real Estate

Daniel has experience in both residential and commercial real

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estate closings.

Workers' Compensation

Daniel has served as defense counsel for many employers throughout South Georgia in the defense of workers' compensation claims. Daniel has extensive experience in the defense of all types of workers' compensation claims.

Credentials

Admitted

State Courts:

- Georgia, 1997
  - Court of Appeals, 1998
  - Supreme Court, 1999

U.S. District Courts:

- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Georgia, 2003
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Georgia, 2000

U.S. Courts of Appeals:

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, 2000

Education

- J.D., Mercer University, 1997
- B.B.A., University of Georgia, 1994

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Memberships

- American Bar Association (ABA), Insurance Defense Section
- DRI, Lawyers Professionalism & Ethics Committee
- Georgia Defense Lawyers Association
- Glynn County Bar Association: Former President
- State Bar of Georgia, Workers' Compensation Section

Recognition

- *Top Lawyers*, Medical Malpractice Law, GaBiz Magazine, 2026
- Lawyer of the Year; Litigation - Insurance, Savannah; Best Lawyers; 2026
- *The Best Lawyers in America®*, Best Lawyers®, 2017-2026
    - Awarded in: Litigation - Insurance, Medical Malpractice Law - Defendants, Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants
- AV Preeminent® Peer Review Rated™, High Ethical Standing; Martindale-Hubbell
- Lawyer of the Year; Litigation - Insurance, Savannah; Best Lawyers; 2024,
- Lawyer of the Year; Medical Malpractice Law - Defendants, Savannah; Best Lawyers; 2023

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- Legal Elite, Personal Injury; *Georgia Trend*; 2015, 2021-2022
- Lawyer of the Year; Litigation - Insurance, Savannah; Best Lawyers; 2022
- Lawyer of the Year; Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants, Savannah; Best Lawyers; 2021
- Georgia Super Lawyer, Super Lawyers®; 2013-2018
- Georgia Rising Star, Super Lawyers®; 2005, 2009, 2012

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Presentations

- **Medical Malpractice Hot Topics & Best Practices**
  GAHA Annual Meeting & Health Law Update; April 17, 2023

Publications

- **Defense Counsel *USA v. Castro***
  United States Supreme Court, October 2003

In the Press

27 HBS Partners Recognized as 2026 Top Lawyers by GaBiz Magazine

January 29, 2026

Hall Booth Smith is pleased to announce that 27 of the firm's partners have been recognized as 2026 "Top Lawyers" by GaBiz Magazine in its Winter issue.

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58 HBS Attorneys Recognized as The Best Lawyers in America® Award Recipients

August 16, 2024

Hall Booth Smith, P.C. is pleased to announce that 58 lawyers have been included in the 2025 edition of The Best Lawyers in America®

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55 Hall Booth Smith Lawyers Recognized as 2024 Best Lawyers® Award Recipients

August 21, 2023

We’re pleased to announce that 55 lawyers have been included in the 2024 edition of The Best Lawyers in

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America®.

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Hall Booth Smith Attorneys Honored by The Best Lawyers In America 2023

August 18, 2022

47 lawyers from the firm have been honored in the 2023 edition of The Best Lawyers in America.

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Hall Booth Smith Attorneys Honored by The Best Lawyers In America® 2022

August 19, 2021

We’re excited to announce that 25 HBS lawyers have

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been recognized in the 2022 edition of The Best Lawyers in America®.

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August 20, 2020

Hall Booth Smith, P.C. (HBS) is pleased to announce 24 lawyers from the firm were honored in the 2021 edition of The Best Lawyers in America© . This award is based on an evaluation process that includes a collection of client and lawyer evaluations and peer reviews from attorneys in the same field. These HBS

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HBS Celebrates

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20th Anniversary of Brunswick Office

March 2, 2020

Hall Booth Smith, P.C. is proud to have become one of the leading full-service firms in the Southeast over the past 30 years, and the firm is pleased to celebrate the 20th anniversary of its office in Brunswick, Georgia. Soon after Hall Booth Smith opened for business in Atlanta, the firm's leaders realized there was

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August 15, 2019

Hall Booth Smith, P.C. (HBS) is pleased to announce 24

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lawyers from the firm were honored in the 2020 edition of The Best Lawyers in America© . This award is based on an evaluation process that includes a collection of client and lawyer evaluations and peer reviews from attorneys in the same field. These HBS

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August 15, 2018

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Hall Booth Smith Attorneys Honored by The Best Lawyers in America©

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HBS Attorneys Recognized in 2017 Georgia Super Lawyers

February 21, 2017

In the 2017 edition of the Georgia Super Lawyers magazine, the law firm of Hall

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Booth Smith (HBS) will once again be recognized for its outstanding legal work as seven of its attorneys are on the list of Super Lawyers: Phillip E. Friduss, John E. Hall, Jr., and Rush S. Smith, Jr. of the Atlanta office; James B. Durham and N. Daniel

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HBS Attorneys Recognized in 2016 Georgia Super Lawyers

February 22, 2016

In the 2016 edition of the Georgia Super Lawyers magazine, the law firm of Hall Booth Smith (HBS) will once again be recognized for its outstanding legal work as nine of its attorneys are on the list of Super Lawyers: Alex H. Booth, Phillip E. Friduss, John E. Hall, Jr., and Rush S. Smith, Jr. of the Atlanta office; James B. Durham and N.

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HBS Attorneys

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Recognized by Georgia Super Lawyers Magazine

March 2, 2015

In the 2015 edition of the Georgia Super Lawyers magazine, the law firm of Hall Booth Smith (HBS) will once again been recognized for its outstanding legal work as five of its attorneys will be on the list of Super Lawyers: Alex H. Booth, John E. Hall, Jr., and Rush S. Smith, Jr. of the Atlanta office; Daniel Lovein of the Brunswick office; and Anthony

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Atlanta Magazine Names Six to the List of Georgia's "Rising Star" 2012

February 22, 2012

The law firm of Hall Booth Smith (HBS) placed six

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attorneys on Atlanta Magazine’s list of Georgia’s “Rising Stars 2012.” Attorneys Matthew Allen and Shaun M. Daugherty of the Atlanta office; Ernest Beaton, IV, Charles A. Dorminy, and N. Daniel Lovein of the Brunswick office; and Patrick N. Millsaps of the Albany office were all

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