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Biography

A native of Honolulu, Hawaii, Dale Slemons was reared in Tennessee. He served on active duty in the United States Air Force for 12 years, with tours of duty including Germany and the United Arab Emirates during the Persian Gulf War.

During law school, Dale worked at the Washington, D.C. law firm of Miller & Van Eaton, P.L.L.C. assisting in litigation in the communications arena. After law school, he worked for Martin & Seibert, L.C. in Martinsburg, West Virginia, and was their Workers' Compensation Department Manager. While at Martin & Seibert, Dale was responsible for representing General Motors throughout West Virginia.

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Since relocating to Georgia in 2002, Dale has continued to represent Employers, Insurers, and Third-Party Administrators in the defense of their workers' compensation claims. His clients include construction companies, hospitals, carpet manufacturers, aviation industrial corporations, self-insured companies, and insurance companies. He has zealously represented Builders

Services

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Insurance Group, Beaulieu of America, Mohawk Carpets, Phoenix Aviation, Mobis Corporation, World Airways, Kennesaw Transportation, Liberty Mutual, Sentry Insurance, Cottingham & Butler Claims Services, Gallagher Bassett Services, and the Georgia Health Association's Self-Insured Workers' Compensation Fund.

Dale is a nationally requested speaker on a plethora of workers' compensation topics at conferences, seminars, and individual client events. He is an active member of the Atlanta Bar Association's Workers' Compensation Section and the Defense Research Institute. He is also The American Bar Association's Workers' Compensation Sections' Diversity Chair and will proudly serve as the Chair Elect for the upcoming year.

Experience

Workers' Compensation

Dale has served as counsel defending employers, self-insurers, insurance companies, and insurance servicing agents for most of his legal career. He has represented Fortune 100 companies, most notably General Motors.

His goal in handling your workers' compensation claim is to bring the claim to a quick resolution with the least amount of expense possible.

Credentials

Admitted

State & Territorial Courts:

- District of Columbia Court of Appeals, 2000
- Georgia, 2002

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- Court of Appeals, Supreme Court
- West Virginia, 1999
 - Court of Appeals, Supreme Court

U.S. District Courts:

- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of West Virginia, 1999
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of West Virginia, 1999

Education

- J.D., The Catholic University of America, 1999
- B.A., The Citadel, 1996

Memberships

- American Bar Association
- Atlanta Bar Association, Workers' Compensation Section, Legislative Subcommittee
 - Chair, 2014-2015
 - Vice Chair
- Claims and Litigation Management Alliance (CLMA)
- Pi Sigma Alpha

Recognition

- AV Preeminent® Peer Review Rated™, Martindale-Hubbell

Presentations

- **Controlling the Medical in Georgia Workers' Compensation**
HBS Workers' Compensation Webinar; January 11, 2024

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Publications

- **When Red Flags Just Can't Be Overlooked**
HBS Workers' Compensation Blog; September 1, 2023
- **Can That Softball Game Injury Be Compensable?**
HBS Workers' Compensation Blog, August 2016
- **Legislative Changes to the Georgia Workers' Compensation effective July 1, 2015**
HBS Workers' Compensation Blog, June 2015
- **The Ingress/Egress Rule and the Recent Bonner-Hill v. Southland Waste Systems Case**
American Bar Association's Workers' Compensation And Employers' Liability Law Committee Newsletter, Winter 2015

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- **Catching Claimants in the Act - Internet Surveillance Through Popular Social Networking Sites**
HBS Workers' Compensation Blog, January 2012
- **Illegal Immigrants and Workers' Compensation**
HBS Workers' Compensation Blog, January 2012

In the Press

Red Solo Cup

December 11, 2024

In *Simmons et al. v. Solo Cup Operating Corporation*, the Georgia Court of Appeals recently issued an opinion in a case involving a wrongful death claim that highlights critical questions about employer responsibilities and

safety protocols.

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When Red Flags Just Can't be Overlooked

September 1, 2023

The purpose of the Georgia Workers Compensation Act is to provide immediate medical care and wage replacement or income benefits for injured workers. But once these “red flags” are present the question arises: What can I do to stop this type of action and deter others from attempting to gain unwarranted workers compensation benefits?

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Telecommuting: The Wave of Future Workers' Compensation Claims

August 29, 2019

Written by: Dale Slemons,
Esq. A rapidly growing trend

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in today's fast paced, technological era is telecommuting for more and more workers. More employers are permitting their employees to work at home as a benefit to the worker and a cost saving measure for employers. In today's society, where more and more companies are becoming

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