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Biography

Geoffrey D. Sessions is a Partner in our office in Jacksonville, Florida, and he has three decades of expertise in litigating and arbitrating all manner of claims, including aging services, medical malpractice, professional malpractice, and general liability claims.

Geoff works with doctors, nurses and other health care professionals as well as hospitals and health care facilities to aggressively defend them in both claims that arise and other legal endeavors. He is a longtime member of the American Board of Trial Advocates (where he currently serves as President of the Jacksonville chapter) and DRI, and he is AV Preeminent® Peer Review Rated™ from Martindale-Hubbell.

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He has more than 30 years of knowledge and experience in handling a variety of litigation, arbitration, and transactional matters across several industries including health care, insurance, real estate, transportation, professional liability, and hospitality. Previously, he was a shareholder at two other firms in Jacksonville. Geoff began his career as a prosecutor in Tallahassee, Florida.

Services

Aging Services

General Liability

Government Affairs

Medical Malpractice

Professional Malpractice & Ethics

Strategic Teams

National Trial Counsel

Geoff earned a Juris Doctor from Stetson University College of Law, and during law school he was a member of the Trial Team, Moot Court Board, and Phi Delta Phi. He also holds a Bachelor of Science in Political Science from Florida State University.

Geoff has served on the board of multiple charities in Jacksonville and previously was a barrister in the Chester Bedell Inns of Court. He has served as a member and chairman of the Florida Bar Grievance Committee 4-B in Jacksonville and has served on multiple committees at Hall Booth Smith, including the Management Committee. Moreover, he has been honored to be included in multiple peer-reviewed organizations, including Best Lawyers® and Florida Trend's Florida Legal Elite.

In his free time, Geoff enjoys traveling and spending time with his wife and two children.

Experience

Geoff has more than three decades of experience in litigation, arbitration, and transactions for clients across the health care, insurance, real estate, transportation, and hospitality industries. Select examples are below.

Aging Services Geoff has extensive experience in defending health care professionals, hospitals, and long-term care facilities on the full spectrum of claims that arise including medical malpractice, negligence, and injury. He is a member of DRI's Steering Committee for a Nursing Home/ALF Seminar.

General Liability With extensive trial and arbitration experience, Geoff is a trusted counselor in defending clients on liability claims. He is also a longtime member of the American Board of Trial Advocates.

Medical Malpractice Geoff often works with doctors, nurses and other health care providers in addition to hospitals and health care facilities to create a strategic and thoughtful approach in defending them against claims of medical or professional malpractice.

Credentials

Admitted

State Courts:

Florida

U.S. District Courts:

- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Florida
- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida

Education

- J.D., Stetson University
- B.S., Political Science, Florida State University

Memberships

- American Board of Trial Advocates: Member
 - Jacksonville Chapter: President
- DRI, Steering Committee for Nursing Home/ALF Seminar
- Florida Bar Association
- Florida Defense Lawyers Association

Jacksonville Bar Association

Recognition

- <u>Lawyer of the Year</u>, Medical Malpractice Law Defendants, Jacksonville, Best Lawyers; 2026
- <u>The Best Lawyers in America®</u>, Medical Malpractice Law -Defendants; Best Lawyers®, 2022-2026
- <u>AV Preeminent® Peer Review Rated™</u>, High Ethical Standing, Martindale-Hubbell
- Legal Elite, Florida Trend Magazine, 2018
- Jacksonville Florida Legal Eagle, Jacksonville Magazine
- Top Lawyers of Jacksonville, Jacksonville Magazine

Presentations

Geoff is frequently invited to speak at client seminars and meetings on issues relevant to the long-term care industry, and a few select presentations are listed below.

- Solutions for High Exposure Cases Florida Society for Healthcare Risk Management & Patient Safety's Virtual Annual Conference, August 2020
- Presentation on the importance of the right to a trial by jury and an independent judiciary at American Board of Trial Advocates

Seventh Amendment Symposium; Jacksonville, FL; 2016-2018

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Hall Booth Smith Adds Geoff Sessions as Partner in Jacksonville

May 10, 2019

JACKSONVILLE, FL - May 10, 2019 - Hall Booth Smith, P.C. is delighted to welcome Geoffrey D. Sessions as a Partner in its office in Jacksonville, Florida, where demand for aging services and medical malpractice defense continues to grow. Sessions brings more than 20 years of litigation, arbitration and transactional experience to the firm and

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