

# HALL BOOTH SMITH, P.C.



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## Biography

Originally from San Antonio, Texas, Lissa F. Klein is a Partner in Hall Booth Smith's Atlanta office. Lissa dedicates her practice to representing employers, insurers, and self-insurers in workers' compensation matters throughout Georgia, including many of Georgia's largest employers. She has extensive experience representing her clients at all administrative and state appellate levels, including obtaining successful results for clients before the Trial and Appellate Divisions of the State Board of Workers' Compensation.

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While Lissa fights hard for her clients, she maintains a strong reputation as a fair and professional opponent which benefits her clients in securing efficient outcomes. Lissa's reputation also helps her client secure favorable settlements, many of which involve claims with high probabilities of catastrophic designation. Lissa's top priority is to work towards securing the best possible outcome for each claim.

As each employer has its own goals and concerns, Lissa also

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assists her clients in developing and implementing risk management procedures which reduce exposure before on-the-job accidents have a chance to take place. She also frequently presents educational seminars where she advises on the latest developments in workers' compensation law.

Lissa graduated from the University of Texas at Austin with a Bachelor of Arts in History and received her Juris Doctor from South Texas College of Law.

Outside of work, Lissa enjoys traveling and hiking. She lives in Sandy Springs with her family.

## Experience

### Workers' Compensation

Lissa dedicates her practice to representing employers, insurers, and self-insurers in workers' compensation matters throughout Georgia. Her representation of clients also involves securing many favorable settlements through mediation, including those with high probabilities of catastrophic designation. Lissa's top priority is to work towards securing the best possible outcome for each claim.

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## Credentials

### Admitted

State Courts:

- Georgia

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## Education

- J.D., South Texas College of Law, 2007
- B.A., University of Texas, 2004

## Memberships

- American Bar Association, Workers' Compensation and Employers Liability Committee
- Claims and Litigation Management Alliance (CLMA)
- Georgia Defense Lawyers Association (GDLA)

## Presentations

- **Available Defenses to Workers' Compensation Claims**  
Georgia State Board of Workers' Compensation, Annual Adjuster Training Program; August 30, 2023

## Publications

- **New Panel, Same Rules**  
HBS Workers' Compensation Blog; October 3, 2023
- **Is Refusing the COVID-19 Vaccine 'JUSTIFIED'?**  
State Bar of Georgia Workers' Compensation Law Section Newsletter, Summer 2021
- **Going the Distance: Special Considerations for Remote Employees in the Post-Pandemic Era**  
CLM Magazine, June 2021
- **Texting While Driving: Not Only Against the Law, But a Bar to Workers' Compensation Benefits As Well**  
Workplace Health magazine, Spring 2016

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- **When is an Owner Also A Statutory Employer?**

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HBS Workers' Compensation Blog, May 2016

- **The Neverending (Catastrophic) Story: Catastrophic Claimants and the O.C.G.A. §34-9-104 Statute of Limitation**

HBS Workers' Compensation Blog, September 2015

- **Co-Authored: Lissa F. Klein & Antonio L. Jeffrey, Where Do We Go From Here? A Review of Recent Decisions Concerning the Exclusive Remedy Provisions of Workers' Compensation Statutes in Florida and Oklahoma**

American Bar Association's Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability Law Committee newsletter, Winter 2015

- **Medicaid's Right to Recovery in Workers' Compensation Claims**

HBS Workers' Compensation Blog, June 2014

- **New Supreme Court Ruling: Who is a 'Supervisor' in Harassment Cases?**

HBS Workers' Compensation Blog, July 2013

- **Case Law Update**

HBS Workers' Compensation Blog, February 2013

- **Claimant Training Day: The Recent Development of "IME Prep"**

HBS Workers' Compensation Blog, April 2012

- **Investigating Psychic Injuries in Georgia Workers' Compensation Claims: It Can Be Done!**

HBS Workers' Compensation Blog, December 2011

## In the Press

### Concurrent Jurisdiction in Workers' Compensation

## **Claims**

December 4, 2023

Workers' compensation is, at its core, one of the more state-specific areas of the law. Each state legislates its own statutes and regulations and operates its own administrative body, often very differently...

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## **New Panel, Same Rules**

October 3, 2023

If a workers' compensation claim was a one-act play (and oftentimes it seems it is), the panel of physicians would be the main character. For employers and insurers, the goal is to make sure the panel is the hero of the show rather than the anti-hero.

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## **CLM: Lissa Klein Discusses Worker's**

## **Compensation Considerations for Employers as Remote Work Persists**

July 2, 2021

In an article published online in CLM Magazine on June 30, 2021, Partner Lissa F. Klein discusses workers' compensation considerations for employers as remote work persists post-pandemic. "As the number of remote employees will continue to rise, it is inevitable that there will be an increasing number of work accidents involving remote employees," she writes. "This

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## **Hall Booth Smith Names New Partners in Atlanta, Birmingham, Brunswick, Charleston**

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## and Columbus

July 18, 2018

ATLANTA – Hall Booth Smith, P.C. is pleased to announce that it has named eight new partners at its offices across the Southeast, bringing the total to 103 firmwide. Walter J. Bibbins, Jr. is a Partner in the firm's Atlanta office whose practice focuses on products liability, medical malpractice, mass torts and transportation litigation. Litigating in both

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