

# HALL BOOTH SMITH, P.C.



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## Biography

Nick Kinsley, originally from Perry, Georgia, is an associate in the Tifton office of Hall Booth Smith. Nick's practice is focused in the area of governmental liability and he works as an assistant county attorney for multiple counties in South Georgia. He has also represented counties, cities, and other governmental entities in defense of various claims.

He graduated *magna cum laude* from University of Georgia and was elected to membership in the Georgia Chapter of the Order of the Coif. While in law school, he worked as a summer law clerk for Martin Snow, LLP in Macon, Georgia, and as an extern for the Rollins, Inc. legal department. He served on the Editorial Board and as an Online Editor of the *Georgia Law Review*. In addition, he was also a Research Assistant for Professor Hillel Levin. Nick received his undergraduate degree, *magna cum laude*, from the University of Georgia. As a Sports Management major, Nick served as a high school football and tennis coach at Clarke Central High School in Athens.

## Services

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## Experience

### General Liability

Nick has represented individuals and entities in a variety of general liability matters, such as premises liability and auto liability.

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### Governmental Liability

Nick focuses his practice in the area of governmental liability and assists Tony Rowell with his duties as County Attorney for Tift, Ware, and Coffee counties. Nick has provided legal representation at numerous county meetings including Board of Commissioners, Planning and Zoning, Zoning Board of Appeals, and Board of Elections. Nick also assists Brent Hyde in his representation of governmental entities in defense of claims brought under 42 U.S.C. § 1983.

Nick has experience in a variety of issues involving local government, including but not limited to:

- Zoning and Land Use Planning
  - Inter-Governmental Agreements
  - Open Meetings
  - Open Records
  - Employment Issues
  - Human Resource Issues
  - Real Property Law
  - S.P.L.O.S.T. Law
  - Local Ordinances
  - Civil Rights
  - Contract Law
  - Code Enforcement
  - Tax Appeals
  - Eminent Domain
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## Labor & Employment

Nick assists with the representation of businesses and local governments in employment disputes including claims alleging discrimination, harassment, retaliation, and state torts such as negligent hiring and retention. Nick also helps advise clients on a wide variety of employment related matters concerning state and federal laws.

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## Credentials

### Admitted

#### State Courts:

- Georgia, 2016
  - Court of Appeals, Supreme Court

#### U.S. District Courts:

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

#### U.S. Courts of Appeals:

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

## Education

- J.D., *magna cum laude*, University of Georgia, 2016
- B.S.Ed., *magna cum laude*, University of Georgia, 2013

## Memberships

- Tifton Bar Association: Member; President (former)

## Publications

- [Recent 7th Circuit Case Illustrates the Two Different Approaches to Deliberate Indifference](#)  
HBS Correctional Health Care Blog; October 27, 2016

## In the Press

### [HBS Attorneys Recognized in 2026 Georgia Super Lawyers & Rising Stars Lists](#)

February 16, 2026

HBS is excited to announce that nine attorneys have been recognized on the 2026 Georgia Super Lawyers & Rising Stars list.

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## **the Firm**

December 2, 2016

Hall Booth Smith, P.C. is pleased to welcome nine new associates to our team: Drew Brooks, Whit Carmon, Kathryn Dunnam, Jordan K. Gibson, Annie Herndon, JD Howard, Nick Kinsley, Joseph Padgett and Jacob Raehn. Drew Brooks joins as an Associate in the HBS Columbus office. He graduated from the University of Georgia where he received his

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