

# HALL BOOTH SMITH, P.C.



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## Biography

A native of North Carolina, Paul Ivey is the managing partner of the firm's Columbus office. Paul practices in the areas of medical malpractice, premises liability, retail liability, insurance defense, and workers' compensation defense. Paul has tried numerous cases for clients throughout Georgia. Paul is on the Board of Directors for the Stewart Community Home.

## Experience

**Aging Services**  
Paul represents nursing homes and their employees throughout the state of Georgia.

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## Correctional Health Care

Paul has extensive experience in representing correctional health care organizations from the development of policies and procedures through the representation at trial. He combines his extensive experience in the medical malpractice area with the unique aspects of representing correctional health care providers in traditional medical malpractice matters as well as matters alleging constitutional violations.

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## Data Privacy & Cybersecurity

Paul has participated as a speaker in three presentations on Enterprise Cyber Risk with particular emphasis on how the attorney client privilege and work product doctrine can assist in protecting the results of the risk assessment from discovery and disclosure in any future litigation. Paul is also listed as one of the authors on the recently published white paper providing a comprehensive overview of Enterprise Cyber Risk.

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## General Liability

Paul has served as defense counsel for many employers throughout Georgia in the defense of worker's compensation claims. Paul has extensive experience in the defense of all types of worker's compensation claims.

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## Insurance Coverage

Paul has represented numerous Insurance companies and their insureds in both first party and third party suits. Paul has extensive experience in all aspects of Insurance defense from the filing of the case through trial. Paul represents insurance companies and their insureds in both automobile and property cases.

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## Labor & Employment

Paul 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, state torts such as negligent supervision and hiring, intentional and negligent infliction of emotional distress, defamation, invasion of privacy, and wrongful discharge allegations.

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## Medical Malpractice

Paul has served as counsel defending hospitals and physicians 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. Paul represents hospitals and physicians throughout the state of Georgia in complex medical malpractice cases.

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## Premises Liability

Paul, the co-leader of our Premises Liability practice, has extensive experience in defending property owners in premises liability actions. Paul has defended many “slip and fall” actions as well as other premises liability claims for many employers throughout Georgia.

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## Credentials

### Admitted

State Courts:

- Georgia

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- Court of Appeals, Supreme Court

U.S. District Courts:

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

U.S. Courts of Appeals:

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

U.S. Supreme Court

## Education

- J.D., Mercer University, 1999
- B.B.A., Campbell University, 1996

## Memberships

- DRI
- Muscogee County Bar Association
- Peach Little League Volunteer
- River City Youth Football: Board of Directors

## Presentations

- **Closing the Loop**  
Georgia Association of Risk Managers Pitfalls in  
Teleradiology, February 2009

## Publications

- **Georgia Retail Compendium**  
2014
- **Some Good Deeds Do Go Unpunished: AED and  
Emergency Medical Response**

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DRI: For the Defense, Summer 2013

## In the Press

### HBS Welcomes Albritton to its Columbus Office

October 5, 2020

COLUMBUS, GA – October 5, 2020 – Hall Booth Smith, P.C. (HBS) has added Attorney Halton T. Albritton, Jr. (“Tony”) to its Columbus office. Tony will focus his practice on medical malpractice, government liability, insurance defense and premises liability matters. Prior to joining HBS, Tony practiced at a firm in Valdosta, Georgia, where he worked

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### Hall Booth Smith Adds Crawford To

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## **Its Columbus Office**

September 2, 2020

COLUMBUS, GA – September 2, 2020 – Hall Booth Smith, P.C. (HBS) has added Attorney Amber N. Crawford to its Columbus office. Amber focuses her practice on estate planning, probate, guardianships and conservatorships, business transactions, commercial real estate and fiduciary matters. Prior to joining HBS, Amber spent several years at a firm in Newnan, Georgia,

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## **Beware The Vanishing Doctor: Protecting Coverage When Physicians are Dismissed in Georgia.**

August 15, 2019

Written by: Paul Ivey, Esq.  
and Tyler Pritchard, Esq.

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Hospitals around the country employ dozens of physicians and nurses. Often, as a part of their employment, hospitals agree to pay the premiums on these health care professionals' liability insurance policies. This much is no secret. But how does the hospital address coverage when, for a

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## **Hall Booth Smith's Columbus Office Moves to Iconic Carmike Cinemas HQ**

January 8, 2018

COLUMBUS, GEORGIA – Hall Booth Smith, P.C. is relocating its office in Columbus, Georgia, to an iconic 5-story glass building that formerly housed the headquarters of Carmike Cinemas.

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## **HBS**

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## **Welcomes** **Donna Hix as** **a Partner to** **the Columbus** **Office**

December 30, 2015

HBS is pleased to welcome Donna Hix as a Partner in the Columbus office. Ms. Hix is a trial lawyer who has specialized in all areas of family law and domestic relations law, from complex and high assets divorce cases, to contentious child custody matters, to child support, alimony and spousal support, post-divorce modifications, legitimation and paternity,

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## **HBS** **Columbus** **office expands** **with attorneys** **from Hatcher** **Stubbs**

October 2, 2015

Columbus, GA — Hall Booth Smith, PC (HBS) is pleased to



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announce expansion of the HBS Columbus office with the addition of 10 attorneys from the law firm of Hatcher Stubbs, Columbus, GA. This expansion will result in the total of 15 attorneys in the HBS Columbus office and 155 attorneys firmwide in 11 offices.

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## **Hall Booth Smith Attorneys Recognized by Georgia Super Lawyers Magazine “Rising Stars 2013.”**

March 4, 2013

The law firm of Hall Booth Smith (HBS) placed seven attorneys on Georgia Super Lawyers magazine’s list of Georgia’s “Rising Stars 2013.” Attorneys receiving the recognition for the first time are Kevin Abernethy, Kelly Brown Viel, Joel McKie, and Heather Saum Ware of the Atlanta office and Paul Ivey of the Columbus office.

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