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Biography

Steven P. Bristol is a partner with the firm and is located in its Brunswick, Georgia, office. His practice areas include appeals, insurance defense, medical malpractice, employment, general liability, governmental liability, products liability, construction, and intellectual property.

Experience

Appellate

Steven's successes in the Court of Appeals of Georgia, the Supreme Court of Georgia, and in the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals include opinions addressing issues involving indemnity, immunity, negligence issues regarding corporate knowledge, employment law relating to drug testing, Georgia's expert witness qualifications statute, and defending a constitutional challenge to Georgia's statute of limitations for medical malpractice actions.

Services

Appellate

Construction

Entertainment

Environmental, Mass Torts, & Land Use

General Liability

Government Affairs

Governmental Liability

Intellectual Property

Labor & Employment

Medical Malpractice

Products Liability

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Construction

Steven's construction law practice has included representation of architects, contractors, and owners, assisting them in either avoiding potential liability or resolving disputes favorably.

General Liability

Steven has experience handling various general liability issues including motor vehicle liability, slip and fall, construction defects, negligent security, and insurance coverage.

Government Affairs

In addition to advising governmental clients, Steven's practice has also involved representing businesses and individuals regarding code and regulatory compliance as well as direct representation of clients in their interactions with governmental entities.

Governmental Liability

Steven has defended governmental entities and officials regarding various claims including allegations of sexual harassment, gender discrimination in violation of Title IX, racial discrimination, search and seizure claims including excessive force, wrongful arrest, and violation of property rights. He has defended claims of deliberate indifference to serious medical needs. Steven has also assisted governmental clients regarding compliance with applicable statutes and regulations.

Intellectual Property: Entertainment

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Steven’s practice also involves assisting clients with various issues involving copyrights, trademarks, and licensing.

Labor & Employment

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

Medical Malpractice

Steven has successfully represented doctors, hospitals, nurses, and dentists in medical malpractice cases. He strives to defend each client with the utmost zeal and professionalism.

Credentials

Admitted

State Courts:

- Georgia, 1992
    - Court of Appeals, Supreme Court; 1993

U.S. District Courts:

- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia, 1993
- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Georgia, 2003
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Georgia, 1992

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U.S. Courts of Appeals:

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, 2007

U.S. Supreme Court, 2008

Education

- J.D., Georgia State University, 1992
- B.B.A., Mercer University, 1989

Memberships

- American Agricultural Law Association
- Georgia Defense Lawyers Association
- National FFA Alumni Association
- UGA College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences Alumni Association, President

Recognition

- Distinguished Peer Rated Attorney, Martindale-Hubbell; 2023
- Client Reviewed, Martindale-Hubbell

Publications

- **Defending Correctional Healthcare Providers: The Intersection of Malpractice and Civil Rights**
  USLAW Magazine, Fall/Winter 2017

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In the Press

HBS Celebrates 20th Anniversary of Brunswick Office

March 2, 2020

Hall Booth Smith, P.C. is proud to have become one of the leading full-service firms in the Southeast over the past 30 years, and the firm is pleased to celebrate the 20th anniversary of its office in Brunswick, Georgia. Soon after Hall Booth Smith opened for business in Atlanta, the firm's leaders realized there was

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Malpractice and Civil Rights

October 19, 2017

Written by: Beth Boone, Esq. and Steven P. Bristol, Esq. Incarceration is big business in the United States, with costs to taxpayers estimated at over $80 billion dollars per year for the estimated 2.2 million individuals in custody. From county jails to state prisons, correctional healthcare providers are in the news daily, from questions and concerns regarding the

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ARBITRATION OPINIONS INVOLVING THE FEDERAL ARBITRATION ACT

February 17, 2014

Three recent Court of Appeals of Georgia opinions discuss the impact of the Federal Arbitration Act (“FAA”), 9 U.S.C. § 1 et seq., on disputes

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in Georgia. These cases further demonstrate that disputes arising from arbitration agreements governed by the FAA are much more likely to actually be arbitrated than are disputes arising from agreements

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Women's Event at the Brunswick Office

July 23, 2013

Hall Booth Smith, P.C. held a successful summer networking event, Women of Law and Women of Medicine, in the Brunswick office. This event, organized by partner Beth Boone and associate Christina Jones from the Brunswick office, was used to promote networking between female professionals in the Golden Isles area. Ms. Boone practices in the areas

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