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# **Biography**

Tiffany Winks is a Partner in the Atlanta office. She attended Clemson University, where she graduated *cum laude* with a Bachelor of Science. Prior to attending Charleston School of Law where she graduated *cum laude*, Tiffany spent a year serving as a construction crew leader for AmeriCorps.

Tiffany's litigation and insurance defense practice focuses mainly in the areas of construction defect and general liability. She has represented general contractors, developers, various subcontractor entities, a national window manufacturing company, and HOAs in a vast range of construction claims and disputes. She has experience in bad faith, coverage, premises liability, and products liability. Tiffany has successfully tried cases at both the state and federal levels.

#### **Services**

**Aging Services** 

Construction

**General Liability** 

Insurance Coverage

**Products Liability** 

**Transportation** 

Construction Tiffany leads the Construction practice group and has experience

representing contractors, subcontractors, developers, and insurance companies in various construction design and defect, delay, contract compliance, insurance coverage, personal injury, and property damage matters. Her practice is focused on the litigation of construction cases, including mediation and trials in both state and federal courts throughout Georgia.

Tiffany has experience representing design professionals in a wide range of pre-suit and litigated matters arising from the design and construction process. This includes the representation of architects, engineers, and surveyors in claims associated with planning, design, and administration of projects at all levels of complexity. She has experience defending claims arising from Americans with Disabilities Act compliance, breaches of contract, construction defects, construction delays, professional negligence, worker injuries/bodily injuries, and materials'/mechanics' liens.

General Liability
Tiffany has successfully handled many general liability claims. She
has litigation experience involving premise liability and slip and
fall cases in apartment complexes and retail stores, products
liability claims, and foreclosure actions. In addition, Tiffany has
experience with premise liability lawsuits, as well as discrimination
claims, associated with ADA compliance (Americans With
Disabilities Act), including property regulation compliance and
defense of related litigation on behalf of property owners.

Insurance Coverage
Tiffany has experience in providing insurance coverage opinions regarding life, property, and casualty coverage issues including CGL policies, bad faith, uninsured motorists, causation, and excess coverage under commercial and personal policies. In addition, as the cyber insurance market grows, it is critical have counsel who is equipped with the knowledge and understands the unique aspects of data breach and cyber coverage. Tiffany represents insurance companies and is experienced in all aspects of insurance defense.

Whether providing a coverage opinion or representation through the trial level, Tiffany is committed to providing quality representation to the client.

Products Liability Tiffany has experience representing manufacturers in the defense of products liability claims resulting from injuries or death, alleged to be caused by product defects. She is prepared to assist manufacturers and suppliers in the investigation and defense of products liability actions.

Transportation Tiffany has experience in third party litigation arising out of transportation, products, and premises liability claims involving catastrophic injury and wrongful death. Tiffany additionally handles first party coverage issues related to issues arising out of transportation, products, and premises liability claims.

#### **Credentials**

#### **Admitted**

State Courts:

- Georgia
  - 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 Southern District of Georgia

#### **Education**

- J.D., cum laude, Charleston School of Law
- B.S., cum laude, Marketing, Clemson University

### **Memberships**

- Construction Lawyers Society of America, Fellow
- Defense Research Institute (DRI)
  - Construction Law Committee
  - Young Lawyers Division
- Georgia Defense Lawyers Association (GDLA), Women's Section
- Insurance Professionals of Atlanta
- State Bar of Georgia
  - o SOLACE Committee Member, 2023-2024
  - Tort and Insurance Practice Section, Vice Chair

# Recognition

- <u>Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America</u>, Best Lawyers®, 2023-2024
  - Construction Law
  - Insurance Law
  - Transportation Law
- Georgia Rising Star, Super Lawyers®, 2022-2023
- Construction Lawyers Society of America, Fellow

#### **Presentations**

 Show me the Money: Realities Behind Litigation Financing

CPCU Meeting, March 2019

 Social Media: Impact on Liability Claims HBS Women's Forum, July 2018

- Drive-By Litigation for ADA Compliance CPCU Meeting, September 2017
- Ethics Use it or Lose it Southern Loss Association, September 2015

#### **Publications**

- Get Your Head in the Game: Georgia Court Warns
   Insurers About the Consequences of Bench-Warming
   During a Pending Lawsuit Against the Insured
   HBS National Insurance Coverage Blog, November 2021
- Exploring Risks for Retailers, Restaurants, and the Local Delivery of Their Products
   DRI-Retail and Hospitality Committee Newsletter, March
- Biased and Unreasonable: Shining the Evidentiary Light on Litigation Finance Companies
   DRI "For the Defense," January 2019
- 4th Circuit Rules Insurer Must Defend Insured Against Class Action Data Breach
   HBS Data Privacy & Cyber Security Blog, April 2016

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 Fourth Circuit To Decide If Commercial General Liability Policy Covers Internet Publication of Medical Records

HBS Data Privacy & Cyber Security Blog, April 2016

- Federal Courts Law Review Article
  Author, Student Edition
- Pressing "Pause" on the State: The First Amendment and the Exposure of Violent Video Games to Minors
   Brown v. Entertainment Merchants Association, 5 Fed. Cts. L. Rev. 321; 2012
- Til Equity Do Us Part: Equitable Distribution of Property in Marital and Non-Marital Relationships The Charleston School of Law

#### In the Press

# 34 Hall Booth Smith Lawyers Named to 2024 Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America

#### August 22, 2023

Hall Booth Smith is pleased to announce that 34 lawyers have been included in the 2024 edition of Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America. The award recognizes associates and other lawyers who are earlier in their careers for their outstanding professional excellence in private practice in the United States. "The unparalleled methodology of Best

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# 10 HBS Attorneys Recognized as 2023 Super Lawyers® Georgia Rising Stars

#### February 9, 2023

GEORGIA – February 9, 2023 – Once again, Hall Booth Smith has been recognized for its outstanding legal work as ten of its attorneys have been honored as Georgia Rising Stars® in the 2023 edition of the Georgia Super Lawyers® magazine. Attorneys Jacquelyn Smith Clarke, Jake Evans, Joel McKie, Jacob Raehn, Paul Trainor, and Tiffany

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# Hall Booth Smith Attorneys Recognized as 2023 Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch

August 18, 2022

Thirty-one lawyers from Hall Booth Smith, P.C. (HBS) have been

honored as Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch. This recognition is given to attorneys, in a variety of practice groups, who are earlier in their careers for outstanding professional excellence in private practice in the United States. This honor is based on Best Lawyers®' highly selective

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# Nine Hall Booth Smith Attorneys Selected as Rising Stars in the 2022 Georgia Super Lawyers Magazine

#### February 16, 2022

In the 2022 edition of the Georgia Super Lawyers magazine, the law firm of Hall Booth Smith (HBS) has once again been recognized for its outstanding legal work as nine of its attorneys are on the list of Rising Stars. Attorneys Russell Britt, Brittanie Browning, Jacquelyn Clarke, Sean Cox, Jake Evans, Alex Kaufman, Joel McKie,

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