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William is an AV-Rated attorney in our Tort, Transportation & Specialized Litigation Group. He focuses his practice on Insurance Law, Professional Liability Defense, Personal Injury Litigation, White Collar Crime, Business and Commercial Disputes, and Employment Litigation among others.

PRACTICE AREAS AND INDUSTRY TEAMS

- Commercial Litigation
- Employment Litigation
- Product Liability Litigation
- White Collar, Compliance and Government Investigations
- Transportation and Trucking Rapid Response

EXPERIENCE

- *Westfeld v. Federal Republic of Germany*, 633 F.3d 409 (6th Cir. 2011); FSIA claim.
- *Lufkin v. Conner*, 338 S.W.3d 499 (Tenn. Ct. App. 2010); legal malpractice.
- *Strong v. Baker*, 2008 WL 859086 (Tenn. Ct. App. 2008); legal malpractice.
- *McDonald v. Calhoun*, 2007 WL 4460069 (Tenn. Ct. App. 2007); medical malpractice.
- *Johnson v. S & S Screw Company et. al.*, 2004 WL 239756 (Tenn. Ct. App. 2004); commercial litigation.
- *Sommer v. Davis*, 317 F.3d 686 (6th Cir. 2003); medical malpractice.
- *Hogan v. Coyne Intern.*, 996 S.W.2d 195 (Tenn. Ct. App. 1998); commercial litigation.
- *Devore v. Deloitte & Touche*, 1998 WL 295024 (Tenn. Ct. App. 1998); employment discrimination.
- *Rose v. H.C.A. Health Services of Tennessee, Inc.*, 947 S.W.2d 144 (Tenn. Ct. App. 1996); medical malpractice/products liability.
- *Davidson Equipment v. Deloitte & Touche*, 1993 WL 295024 (Tenn. Ct. App. 1993); accounting malpractice.
- *Absar v. Jones*, 833 S.W.2d 86 (Tenn. Ct. App. 1992); commercial litigation.

- *Pickard v. Wilgus*, 742 F. Supp. 434 (M.D. Tenn. 1990); securities dispute.
- *Criminal Justice Act Defense Panel* (Member) (Middle District of Tennessee, 1993-2004).
- *Humphress v. United States*, 398 F.3d 855 (6th Cir. 2005); post-conviction.
- *Veach v. State*, 1993 WL 75364 (Tenn. Crim App. 1993); post-conviction.
- *U.S. v. Hallums*, 26 Mil. J. Rep. 838 (A.C.M.R. 1988); defense counsel-courts martial.

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Tennessee, 1984
- U.S. District Courts
 - Tennessee: Eastern, Middle, Western Districts
- U.S. Court of Appeals
 - 6th Circuit
- Tennessee Supreme Court
- Tennessee Court of Appeals
- U.S. Supreme Court

DISTINCTIONS

- AV-rated, Martindale-Hubbell
- *Best Lawyers in America*®
 - Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants, 2011-2020
- *Mid-South Super Lawyers*®, Personal Injury Defense: Medical Malpractice
- *Judge Advocate*, U.S. Army JAGC, 1985-1988

ASSOCIATIONS

- American Bar Association
- International Association of Defense Counsel
- Nashville Bar Association
- Tennessee Bar Association
- Claims and Litigation Management Alliance
 - Certified Litigation Management Professional

EDUCATION & HONORS

- University of Tennessee, J.D., *with high honors*, 1984
 - Order of the Coif
 - Phi Kappa Phi
 - Moot Court Board
 - Casenotes Editor, *University of Tennessee Law Review*
- Vanderbilt University, B.A., *cum laude*, 1981
 - Distinguished Military Graduate
- Rule 31 Listed General Civil Mediator, 2016

PAPERS, PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

- Lectures at continuing legal education seminars on a variety of topics.
- *Author*, “Time to Examine Tennessee’s Collateral Source Rule”, Tennessee Bar Journal, Vol. 48, No. 12, p. 16, December 2012.
- *Author*, “Recent Developments In Legal Malpractice (and other items of potential interest to Tennessee lawyers)”, Tennessee Bar Journal, Vol. 41, No. 12, p. 32, December 2005.