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Cedric is a member of Butler Snow's Pharmaceutical, Medical Device and Healthcare Group. His practice focuses on the defense of medical device and pharmaceutical manufacturers. Cedric has taken lead or prominent pre-trial and trial roles in mass tort matters involving numerous pharmaceutical products, including weight loss medications, pain management medications, antidepressants, Cox-2 inhibitors, anti-epilepsy drugs and blood pressure medications.

PRACTICE AREAS AND INDUSTRY TEAMS

- Drug and Device Litigation
- Pharmaceutical, Medical Device and Healthcare

TRIAL EXPERIENCE

- *Kendall vs. Hoffman La Roche, et al*, Atlantic City, NJ – alleged gastrointestinal injury due to acne medication use – Assisted Trial Team (2014)
- *Reynold/Wilkinson/Rossitto/Young vs. Hoffman La Roche, et al*, Atlantic City, NJ – claimed gastrointestinal injuries due to acne medication use – Assisted Trial Team (2012)
- *Tanna vs. Hoffman La Roche, et al*, Atlantic City, NJ – involved claim of gastrointestinal injury due to use of acne medication - Assisted Trial Team (2012)
- *Andrews/Gaghan/Marshall vs. Hoffman La Roche, et al*, Atlantic City, NJ – alleged gastrointestinal injury due to acne medication use – Trial Counsel (2011)
- *Moore vs. American Home Products, et al*, 249th District Court, Cleburne, Texas – alleged cardiovascular injury due to Diet Drug use – Assisted Trial Team (1999)
- *Kellum vs. Chrysler Corporation*, United States District Court, Eastern District of Texas, Lufkin Division – involving claim of defective glovebox design – Trial Counsel (1997)
- *Bullard vs. Chrysler Corporation, et al*, United States District Court, Eastern District of Texas, Sherman Division – air bag defect claim – Assisted Trial Team (1997)
- *Sandoval vs. Chrysler Corporation et al*, District Court, Las Vegas, New Mexico – involved claim of post-collision fuel-fed fire – Assisted Trial Team (1996)

OTHER EXPERIENCE

- Counsel for anti-epilepsy drug manufacturer in mass tort actions involving birth defect claims filed in United States District Court, Southern District of Illinois
- Counsel for blood pressure medication (angiotensin II receptor blocker) manufacturer in cases filed in Atlantic City, NJ and United States District Court, District of New Jersey, involving claims of gastrointestinal injury
- Counsel for anti-seizure drug manufacturer in mass tort cases involving suicidal and homicidal ideation claims filed in United States District Court, District of Massachusetts
- Counsel for Cox-2 drug manufacturer in mass tort cases involving claims of cardiovascular injury filed in United States District Court, North District of California
- Counsel for SSRI drug manufacturer in individual action involving claim of suicide filed in Beaumont, TX

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Texas, 1995
- U.S. District Court
 - Texas: Eastern

DISTINCTIONS

- *The Legal 500 US*
 - Recognized in the editorial for nationwide Dispute Resolution: Product Liability, Mass Tort and Class Action: Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices – Defense, 2019.
- *Thomson Reuters Texas Super Lawyers*[®]
 - Rising Star, 2004-2006
- *Martindale-Hubbell*[®]
 - AV[®] – Preeminent™ Peer Review Rated
- *Who's Who Legal*, Product Liability Defence, 2020-2021

ASSOCIATIONS

- Board Member, Central Texas Advisory Board, Texas Diversity Counsel, 2012
- Trustee, Huston-Tillotson University, 2009-2011
- Defense Research Institute (DRI)
 - Young Lawyers Committee, Steering Committee, 2000-2005
- United States Army Reserves
 - Officer, Field Artillery, 1990-1998
- International Association of Defense Counsel (IADC)
- Austin Bar Association

EDUCATION & HONORS

- The University of Iowa College of Law, J.D., *with distinction*, 1995
 - Note Editor, *Journal of Transnational Law & Contemporary Problems*, 1994-1995
- University of Texas at Austin, B.A., 1991
 - U.S. Army R.O.T.C., 1987-1990

PAPERS, PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

- Co-Presenter, “Trial Skills: Warnings, Experts and General Causation,” DRI Drug and Device Seminar, Washington, DC, May 15-16, 2014.
- Presenter, “The Treating Physician Deposition: The Keys to Creating Your Very Own Expert Witness,” DRI Young Lawyers Seminar, Henderson, NV, June 9-10, 2005.
- Co-Presenter, “Tort Reform and You – Perfect Together?,” DRI Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, October 6-10, 2004.
- Speaker, DRI Product Liability Seminar, Young Lawyers’ Breakout Session, 2003.
- Speaker, DRI Drug and Device Seminar, Young Lawyers’ Breakout Session, 2003.
- Author, “The Concept of “Treat to Peace” and Humanitarian Concerns: Probing the Limits of Chapter VII of the U.N. Charter,” *Transnational Law & Contemporary Problems*, 1995.