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### **Services**

Commercial / Corporate Litigation, Consumer Finance Litigation & Compliance, Class Action,

Greg litigates all types of business disputes with an emphasis on efficiency, communication and results.

Greg is a partner in the firm's commercial litigation group with a concentration on business litigation, class action defense and employment matters. Greg has extensive experience in all aspects of civil litigation and has handled disputes on behalf of plaintiffs and defendants on a broad range of issues including breach of contract, fraud, bad faith, trade secrets, defamation and unfair business practices claims. While Greg's practice is centered in Georgia and Alabama, he has represented clients in matters across the United States.

Greg's clients include national banking institutions, insurers and one of Georgia's largest residential contracting companies. Greg also currently serves as national litigation counsel for a diversified telecommunications company.

### **Publications**

- *Law 360*: 500 Days Of The Revised Removal Statutes

### **Education**

J.D. *cum laude*, University of Georgia School of Law  
B.S., Jacksonville State University

### **Licensed In**

Alabama, Georgia

### **Admitted In**

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

U.S. District Court – Middle District of Georgia  
U.S. District Court – Northern District of Georgia  
U.S. District Court – Middle District of Alabama  
U.S. District Court – Northern District of Alabama  
U.S. District Court for the District of Connecticut  
Georgia Supreme Court

### **Honors & Awards**

- *Georgia Super Lawyers*, Business Litigation (2011-2013)
- 2010 Outstanding Alumnus Award, Jacksonville State University, Chapter Beta Gamma Sigma

### **Professional Associations**

American Bar Association, Commercial and Business Litigation Committee and TIPS Committee, Member  
Defense Research Institute, Committee on Business Litigation and Class Actions, Member

### **Community Involvement**

Jacksonville State University Foundation, Past President  
Big Brothers program, Previous Volunteer  
Volunteer Tennis Coach North Atlanta High School

### **Experience**

- Represented a billing clearinghouse in a consumer class action. Obtained summary judgment and court denied certification. Order affirmed by the Seventh Circuit. (2009-2011)
- Represented a telecommunications company in arguments in front of the Wisconsin Supreme Court on the issue of application of common law defenses to statutory claims. (2011)
- Defended an office products distributor in a multi-million dollar fraud and rescission lawsuit brought by a disgruntled customer. Prevailed at summary judgment on all claims asserted by the customer-plaintiff and collected a six figure judgment on the counterclaim. (2010-2011)
- Represented the seller in a dispute claiming fraud and breach of contract arising out of a stock purchase agreement. Obtained a seven figure recovery for seller after arbitration. (2010-2011)
- Defended a purchaser of a business against multi-million dollar post-sale EBITDA earn-out claims. Case was favorably resolved via confidential settlement agreement. (2009-2011)
- Represented a minority shareholder in a dispute with LLC over loan repayment and share valuation. Obtained a six figure recovery for the minority shareholder. (2010)
- Represented a sub-prime automobile insurer in complex litigation against over eighty insured financial institutions arising out of alleged fraud by a central agent. Successfully settled all issues. (2008-2011)
- Obtained a six-figure settlement on behalf of a plaintiff who claimed that defendants had breached a verbal partnership agreement and committed fraud. (2008-2009)
- Obtained a six-figure judgment on behalf of a residential contractor client against its primary competitor who had misappropriated plaintiff's sales opportunities. (2006-2009)

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