

## Class Notes

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### 1970s

**Thomas L. Lehman** (1974) of Cairo, GA, was honored by the Florida Bar with recognition as a 50-year member in good standing. **G. Ware Cornell Jr.** (1975) of Weston, FL, was honored by the Florida Bar with recognition as a 50-year member in good standing. Cornell is managing partner at Cornell & Associates.

### 1980s



**Edward H. Lindsey Jr.** (1984) of Atlanta, GA, was named a recipient of the Distinguished Leaders Award as part of the 2025 Southeastern Legal Awards presented by the *Daily Report* and *Law.com*. Lindsey is a partner at Dentons.



**Andrew M. "Drew" Beal Sr.** (1986) of Atlanta, GA, secured an \$11.4-million verdict for his clients, Nicole Wade,

Johnathan Grunberg, Taylor Wilson, and Wade Grunberg & Wilson. **William C. "Bill" Gentry** (1986) of Marietta, GA, was selected to serve as president-elect of the State Bar of Georgia.



**Carlton H. "Hobie" Jones III** (1986) of Clayton, GA, was appointed by Gov. Brian Kemp to serve as a Superior Court judge of the Mountain Judicial Circuit.

**Gregory V. "Greg" Sapp** (1986) of Savannah, GA, was elected to serve as president of the Council of State Court of Judges.



## 1990s



**Randolph M. "Randy" Brombacher** (1995) of Fort Lauderdale, FL, joined Moritt Hock & Hamroff as of counsel. **Jeanna M.**

**Mastrodicasa** (1995) of Gainesville, FL, was named director of the Office of Institutional Assessment at the University of Florida.



**Andrew H. Walcoff** (1995) of Savannah, GA, was installed as president of the Savannah Jewish Educational Alliance. Walcoff is a partner

at Bouhan Falligant. **Kevin C. Wilson** (1996) of Atlanta, GA, received the Charles E. Watkins Jr. Award at the Atlanta Bar Association 2025 Annual Meeting. Wilson serves as staff counsel in the Office of Bar Admissions for the Supreme Court of Georgia.



**Anthony D. "Tony" Lehman** (1998) of Atlanta, GA, was named chair-elect of the American Bar Association

Forum on Construction Law effective September 1, 2025. Lehman is a partner at Hudson Lambert Parrott.

**Michele P. Madison** (1998) of Atlanta, GA, joined Bradley Arant Boult Cummings as a partner in the firm's



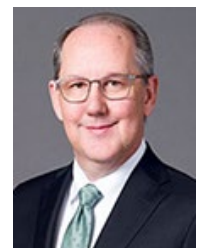
healthcare practice group. **Lance P. McMillian** (1998) of Atlanta, GA, authored a book titled *A Town on Trial*, the seventh installment in his

Atlanta Murder Squad crime series. McMillian is an associate professor at Atlanta's John Marshall Law School. **Jeffrey P. "Jeff"**



**Cowan Jr.** (1999) of Falls Church, VA, joined the U.S. Joint Committee on Taxation as refund counsel. Cowan

previously served for 18 years with the IRS Chief Counsel (International) and the IRS Independent Office of Appeals. **J. Clay Fuller** (1999) of Jefferson, GA, joined JAMS as an arbitrator, mediator, special master/referee and neutral evaluator.





**T.C. Spencer “Spence” Pryor** (1999) of Atlanta, GA, joined Arkadios Capital as chief legal and corporate strategy officer. **Christopher P. “Chris” Twyman** (1999) of Rome, GA, was installed as the 63rd president of the State Bar of Georgia.



## 2000–2009

**Christy Durden Jordan** (2003) of Brunswick, GA, was named president and CEO of Southeast Georgia Health System. **Kevin A. Gooch**



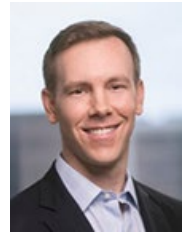
(2004) of Atlanta, GA, Trailblazer Award named after him at the B.E.S.T. Academy, part of the Thomas W. Dortch

Jr. Institute. Gooch is a partner at Holland & Knight. **Tedra L. Cannella** (2007) of Decatur, GA, was reelected to the State Bar of Georgia Board of Governors representing the DeKalb Judicial Circuit. She will continue a leadership role with the Georgia Trial Lawyers Association as co-chair of the



communications and public relations committee for the 2025-26 term. Cannella is a partner at Cannella Snyder.

**Steven A. Richman** (2007) of Atlanta, GA, was appointed chair of Seyfarth Shaw’s institutional investor practice. **Daniel E. Sineway** (2007) of Atlanta, GA, joined Bradley Arant Boult Cummings as a



partner.



**Lindsay A. Forlines** (2008) of Atlanta, GA, secured a \$27.5-million wrongful death verdict against Southern

Regional Medical Center. Forlines is a partner at Chance Forlines Carter & King. **Robert H. “Rob” Snyder Jr.** (2008) of Decatur, GA, was reappointed as co-chair of the legislative committee with the Georgia Trial Lawyers Association for the 2025-26 term. Snyder is a partner at Cannella Snyder. **John W.**



**Hackney** (2009) of Atlanta, GA, was elected a Fellow of the American College of Tax Counsel and was named to the inaugural Lawdragon 500

Leading Global Tax Lawyers guide. Hackney is a shareholder at Chamberlain Hrdlicka.

**Daniel L. “Dan” Huynh** (2009) of Atlanta, GA, joined Bradley Arant Boult Cummings as a partner.



**George R. Reinhardt III** (2009) of Atlanta, GA, joined Bradley Arant Boult Cummings as a partner in the firm’s healthcare practice group.



## 2010–2019



**Anna White Howard** (2010) of Gainesville, GA, was sworn in as a Magistrate Court judge of the U.S. District Court for

the Northern District of Georgia. **Jolee Porter** (2010) of Washington, D.C., joined Wilkinson Stekloff as a



partner. **M.**



**Gino Brogdon Jr.** (2011) of Atlanta, GA, was named a recipient of the On the Rise Award as part of the 2025

Southeastern Legal Awards presented by the *Daily Report* and *Law.com*. Brogdon is a

senior neutral at Miles Mediation & Arbitration and founder of the Brogdon Firm.



**William Robert “Rob” Gignilliat IV** (2012) of Greenville, SC, was recognized in the 2025 edition of *Chambers USA* for his labor

and employment practice. Gignilliat is a principal at Jackson Lewis.

**Rebekah D. McCorvey** (2012) of Atlanta, GA, joined Duane Morris as a partner in



the firm’s corporate practice group.



**Anne W. Pearlman** (2012) of Cambridge, MA, was promoted to IP business

partner at Philips. **Amanda Kay Seals** (2012) of Atlanta, GA, was elected to the State Bar of Georgia Board of Governors representing the



Atlanta Circuit, Post 30. Seals is a partner at Bondurant Mixson & Elmore.

**Ryan A. Scates** (2013) of St. Simons Island, GA, joined Hall Booth Smith as of counsel.







**Emily C. Ward** (2013) of Atlanta, GA, completed her term as president of the Atlanta Bar Association. Ward

is a partner at Continuum Legal Group.

**Alexandra C. “Allie” Apple**

(2015) of Atlanta, GA, was named a recipient of the On the Rise Award as part of the 2025 Southeastern Legal Awards presented by the *Daily Report* and *Law.com*. Apple is a partner at Troutman Pepper Locke. **Hunter B. Carpenter** (2015) of Atlanta, GA, was named a recipient of the Most Effective Dealmakers Award as part of the 2025 Southeastern Legal Awards presented by the *Daily Report* and



*Law.com*. Carpenter is a partner at Akerman. **Gerald T. Chichester** (2016) of Atlanta, GA, was elevated to counsel at Fox Rothschild.

**Samuel L. “Sam” Mikell** (2016) of Savannah, GA, was elevated to counsel at Griffin Durham Tanner & Clarkson.



**Caleb H. Ratliff** (2016) was elected secretary of the State Bar of Georgia Young Lawyers Division. Ratliff is a partner at Cox Byington Twyman. **Chad P. Berger** (2017) of Atlanta, GA, joined Wilde Entertainment as head of football personnel.



**Cassidy J. Grunninger** (2017) of Washington, D.C., joined the intellectual property and technology practice group at Dentons.

**Ashley N. Klein** (2017) of Atlanta, GA, joined Bradley Arant Boult Cummings as a partner.



**Andrew Z. Smith** (2017) of Atlanta, GA, was selected for the National LGBTQ+ Bar Association 2025

40 Under 40 list. Smith is a shareholder at Greenberg Traurig. **Matthew D. “Matt” Gobel** (2018) of Savannah, GA, joined HunterMaclean as an associate in the firm’s corporate practice group.



**Megan E. Cambre** (2019) of Atlanta, GA, joined Watstein Terepka as a litigation associate.



## 2020s



**Elizabeth W. Torres** (2020) of Sylvester, GA, was appointed by Gov. Brian Kemp to serve as Solicitor General of Worth County. **Anna M. Baker** (2021) of Atlanta, GA, joined Bradley Arant Boult Cummings as an associate.



**Joshua L. "Josh" Bearden** (2022) of Gainesville, GA, secured a \$10-million wrongful death settlement for his client Dallas Kee and in a separate action secured a \$70-million



medical malpractice verdict for his client Jessica Powell. Bearden is with the Cook Law Group. **Samuel R. "Sam" West** (2022) of Cornelia, GA, was appointed to serve on the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights Georgia Advisory Committee. West is counsel to the House



Majority Leader in the Georgia General Assembly. **Archie L. Wilson Jr.** (2023) of Atlanta, GA, was selected for the National Black Lawyers Top 2025 40 Under 40 list. Wilson is an associate at King & Spalding. **William M. "Will" Anthony** (2024) of Atlanta, GA, joined Swift Currie McGhee & Hiers as an associate in the workers' compensation practice group.



### ***In Memoriam***

The School of Law expresses sympathy to the family and friends of the following law school graduates:

**Tyler C. Cashbaugh** (2014)  
Columbus, GA  
June 12, 2025

**Frederick E. "Fred" Cooper** (1967)  
Nashville, TN  
June 14, 2025

**John L. Cromartie Jr.** (1967)  
Gainesville, GA  
June 11, 2025

**Robert A. "Bobby" Fierman** (1975)  
Atlanta, GA  
April 5, 2025

**Thomas M. "Tim" Flourney Jr.**  
(1966)  
Columbus, GA  
April 29, 2025

**Francis Edwin "Ed" Hallman Jr.**  
(1971)  
Atlanta, GA  
April 27, 2025

**Joanna B. Hannah** (1976)  
Decatur, GA  
April 3, 2025

**Herman P. Michael** (1961)  
Watkinsville, GA  
June 3, 2025

**Dana J. Petti** (1981) (digital obituary  
not available)  
Atlanta, GA  
May 15, 2025

**John E. Ryan** (1989)  
McLean, VA  
April 23, 2025

**Richard A. Slaby** (1965)  
Augusta, GA  
April 5, 2025

**William P. "Bill" Tinkler Jr.** (1979)  
Suches, GA  
April 14, 2025

**Jerry J. Wall** (1966)  
Atlanta, GA  
April 14, 2025

**John Thomas "Tom" Whelchel**  
(1959)  
St. Simons Island, GA  
April 2, 2025