



#### EDUCATION

Kennesaw College, BS  
Emory University School of Law, JD

#### BAR MEMBERSHIPS

State of Georgia, 1984  
State of Tennessee, 1999

#### PRACTICE AREAS

Civil Litigation  
Personal Injury/Wrongful Death  
Defense  
Business Litigation  
Workers' Compensation Defense

Robert is a fourth generation Cobb Countian who has successfully tried numerous cases to verdict in State and Federal Courts on a broad range of commercial and insurance defense litigation matters. He has also tried many cases before arbitration panels and workers' compensation administrative law judges. Robert has also defended a wide array of class actions representing insurers, contractors, and manufacturers, and has successfully represented many of the firm's clients in business and intellectual property disputes and probate litigation. He received his undergraduate degree from Kennesaw College with honors and his law degree from Emory University School of Law. He is a member of the Bar in both Georgia and Tennessee.

#### Bar Activities:

- President, State Bar of Georgia, 2005-06
- President, Cobb Bar Association, 1998-99
- State Bar Board of Governors, 1993-07
- State Bar Executive Committee, 1999-07
- Cobb County Bar, Board of Trustees, 1993-04

**Chaired and served on numerous State Bar Committees including:**

- Bench and Bar, Chair, 1997-04
- Lawyer Assistance Program, Chair
- Foundation of Freedom Commission
- General Counsel Overview Committee, Chair
- Chief Justice's Commission on Professionalism, 2003-05
- Commission on Continuing Lawyer Competency, 2004-12, Chair 2010-11
- Communications Committee, Co-Chair, 2009-13
- State Disciplinary Board - Investigative Panel, 2004-05; Review Panel, 2006-07
- Special Committee on the Unified Bar, 2018-19
- Judicial Qualifications Commission (JQC) Nominating Committee, 2019-20

**Professional Activities:**

- Judicial Qualifications Commission, 2006-14 term, Chair - Disciplinary body which conducts investigations and hearings regarding complaints and allegations of misconduct against Georgia judges.
- U.S. Judicial Nominating Panel, 2004-19 - Appointed by Senator Johnny Isakson as a member of the panel to assist Georgia's U.S. Senators in recommending Federal Judicial nominees & U.S. Attorneys to the President of the United States.
- Workers' Compensation Advisory Council, 1996-19, Chairman, 2009-13; Rules & Mediation Committee 1996-09; 2013-17; Legislative Committee 2018-19
- Lawyers Foundation of Georgia

- Board of Trustees Georgia Institute of Continuing Legal Education, 2004-07, Chair 2006-07
- Georgia Bar Foundation
- Board of Trustees Georgia Institute of Continuing Judicial Education, Board of Trustees, 2007-10
- Georgia Supreme Court Commission on Legal Education, 2007-08
- Georgia Supreme Court Code of Judicial Conduct Revision Committee, 2011-14
- Georgia Defense Lawyers Association
- Defense Research Institute
- Old War Horse Lawyers Club
- Lawyers Club of Atlanta

**Peer Recognition:**

- Georgia Super Lawyers, Civil Litigation Defense - Selected by peers in annual nomination and polling process conducted by *Atlanta Magazine*, 2004-19 and 2012-19 Super Lawyers Business Edition
- Best Lawyers in America - Nominated and selected by peers for inclusion in the 2006-18 editions in the specialties of Commercial Litigation, Construction Law and Workers' Compensation Law
- Best Lawyers in Commercial Litigation - Selected for inclusion by *Litigation Magazine* in conjunction with *The American Lawyer*, *The National Law Journal* and *Corporate Counsel Magazine* 2008-18
- Atlanta Business Chronicle - Selected to the Legal Elite list.
- Super Lawyers Corporate Counsel Edition - Selected for Civil Litigation Defense for 2008-19

- LexisNexis and Martindale-Hubbell AV Preeminent Rated – Which is the top peer review rating for legal ability and ethics, 2005-19
- Bobby Cleveland Professionalism Award – Top professional award given by Cobb Bar. Recipient, 2005
- Preeminent Lawyer Bar Registry - Selected by Lexis-Nexis and Martindale-Hubbell for 2008-19
- Cobb Justice Foundation -Founder and Chair, 1995 Member, 1995-19 Selected as Volunteer of the Year, 1997
- Justice Weltner Freedom of Information Award - Presented by First Amendment Foundation to the Judicial Qualifications Commission while Chaired by Robert Ingram 2014
- American Academy of Trial Lawyers (AATA) - Recognized by AATA as one of the Premier 100 Trial Attorneys for Georgia

**Other Organizations:**

- Noonday Baptist Association, Board of Trustees, 1996-03, 2014-16, Chair 1999-03
- Georgia Self-Insurer's Association, Board of Directors, 2007-12
- North Georgia Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Board of Directors, 2000-02
- Cobb County Youth Museum, Board of Directors, 1995-97
- Cobb County School System, Board of Ethics, Chair, 2000-01
- Georgia Workers Compensation Association, Board of Director's, 2013-17