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ABOUT D.

Kirby Howard is a partner with the firm's Mobile office. Kirby has been practicing law for over 15 years with an emphasis on general insurance defense, including premises liability, product liability, wrongful death, automobile liability, termite, and construction defect cases. He has experience with state-agent immunity and qualified immunity issues through representation of counties, municipalities, and state agents such as educators.

Legal Assistant

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Areas of Practice

Bad Faith / Insurance Disputes
Complex Litigation
Construction Litigation
Governmental
Products Liability
Wrongful Death / Catastrophic
Injury

EDUCATION

2006, Cumberland School of Law (J.D.)
2003, The University of Alabama (B.A.)

COURTS

U.S. District Court, Northern District of
Alabama
U.S. District Court, Middle District of
Alabama
U.S. District Court, Southern District of
Alabama

BAR ADMISSIONS

Alabama

ACCOLADES



PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

AV Preeminent rated attorney by Martindale-Hubbell® Peer Review Ratings.

Alabama Defense Lawyers Association's Young Lawyers President (2015-2016)

Alabama Defense Lawyers Association's Board of Directors (2016-2019)

Serves as a member of the Alabama State Bar, Mobile Bar, Baldwin County Bar, and American Bar Associations

EXPERIENCE HIGHLIGHTS

Kirby has tried jury trials and bench trials to verdict and has participated in oral argument before the Alabama Supreme Court.

PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

"To Twombly or not to Twombly; That is the Question," *DRI's Fore the Defense Magazine* (September 2009).

Multi-Circuit Litigation: Advocating for a State System of Claim Aggregation, presented at the Alabama Defense Lawyer Association's 2008 Annual Meeting.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Kirby has been involved with various community boards and organizations within the Mobile area. He served as a member of the 2012 Greater Mobile MS Leadership Class and has also served on the Senior Bowl Committee.

FUN FACTS

Kirby enjoys reading, specifically about military history and US history. He is an avid Alabama football fan and attend as many games as possible each season.

Kirby, his wife Elizabeth, and his two daughters, Maggie and Susan attend St. Ignatius Catholic Church in Mobile.

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