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A Tradition of Excellence is Malone Law’s maxim as Adam Malone continues the commitment to justice his father, veteran attorney Thomas W. “Tommy” Malone, began more than 50 years ago.

Built upon a history of record-setting verdicts, Malone Law continues to pursue justice for those injured by the carelessness of others involving severe injury and wrongful death, whether those cases were caused by carelessness on the highway, in the hospital, or elsewhere.

Making history is nothing new to Malone Law. In addition to the firm’s record-setting verdicts in medical negligence and trucking cases, Malone Law’s cases also bring about changes in the laws to improve citizen rights. While his father helped change how managed care companies do business in Georgia, Adam is understandably also proud of being lead counsel in a case that brought about the Georgia Supreme Court’s decision declaring legislative caps on noneconomic damages to be unconstitutional. The decision returned power to the state’s citizen jurors to hear the evidence in each case and

determine the value of all losses suffered by those injured by negligence.

Adam is a nationally known Trial Lawyer, and AV Preeminent® rated by Martindale-Hubbell. He is selected annually for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America* and *Super Lawyers*. Adam has obtained multimillion-dollar recoveries for the victims of negligence in cases resulting in wrongful deaths and catastrophic injuries. Adam frequently speaks to organizations across the country, sharing his trial knowledge and experience.

Through the skillful handling of complex cases, Adam carries on his father’s passion for justice, which has earned Malone Law a reputation of excellence. This reputation has become a tradition as Adam and his team continue to achieve just compensation for those they are privileged to represent.

“We are continuing the standard established by my father, who was inspired daily by his belief that we can make a meaningful difference in the lives of others,” says Adam Malone.

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From left: Ryals D. Stone, William S. Stone, James W. Stone, Michael G. Regas II

**\$45.8 Million
Medical Malpractice
Verdict in 2017**

At Stone Law Group, the firm's trial-tested lawyers are known for delivering results, and with good reason: in addition to recovering more than \$1.2 billion for its personal injury and business and consumer fraud clients, the firm has achieved the sort of precedent-setting results that set it apart from other plaintiffs' firms.

In 2011, for example, the firm achieved the largest wrongful death verdict in Georgia—a \$40.1 million award against a trucking company over a tractor-trailer accident that killed two people and injured a third. In 2008, the firm helped obtain a record \$250 million fraud settlement against the pharmaceutical company Merck for concealing the actual price of the drug Pepcid from the government.

This year, the firm continues its tradition of newsworthy results, with a \$45.8 million medical malpractice verdict for a woman, Shannon Trabue, who just days after giving birth suffered a hypertension-related heart attack that left her permanently brain damaged.

"The facts of this case resonated with the jury because Shannon's cardiac arrest could easily have been prevented," notes William Stone, who served as lead counsel in the case. "Pregnancy-induced hypertension is a common complication seen in pregnancy, and any doctor working in obstetrics should know how to manage it."

The jury's award consisted of \$9.8 million in economic damages and \$18 million in compensatory damages for Trabue, as well as \$18 million for her husband, Keith, due to their loss of marital relationship—an amount that set a record as the largest loss of consortium award in Georgia's history.

"We had focus grouped this case 12 times before trying it, so I wasn't surprised by the verdict," says Stone. "Our promise to our clients is that we will aggressively pursue their case, preparing it for trial from day one, and I think that approach certainly helped influence the result here."

Joining Stone in trying the Trabue case were his sons Ryals and James, who represent the fifth generation of Stone attorneys to work at the firm and its predecessors. In fact, the firm was initially founded by Stone's grandfather in 1915; and with 2017 marking what will be Stone's 40th year of practice, Stone Law Group only continues to grow: Ryals recently opened an office in Rome, Georgia, and in January Michael Regas II joined the firm as a partner, bringing significant trial experience in medical malpractice.

Like Stone, Regas is AV Preeminent® rated by Martindale-Hubbell® and has long been included in Super Lawyers. In addition, Stone has been listed for many years in The Best Lawyers in America and was named as its 2013 Lawyer of the Year for plaintiffs' personal injury litigation in Atlanta. Stone, a past president of the Georgia Trial Lawyers Association, also remains active in the legal community, including as a member of the American Association for Justice.

"Ultimately, our success stems from the fact that we are ethically driven and hold high standards of excellence," notes Stone. "We take great pride in our ability to serve the community by working to eliminate negligence, corruption, and fraud."



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| # | Case | Date | Type of Action | Plaintiff's Counsel | Amount |
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| 1 | Joel Jenkins and Aimee Jenkins v. Derrick Steven Lambert, Lenell G. Lambert, and Preston Joiner Wilkinson | 10-May-16 | Motor Vehicle Accident | Stephen G. Lowry and Kristy S. Davies of Harris Lowry Manton LLP; Robert B. Langstaff Jr. of Langstaff Law, LLC | \$40,000,000 |
| 2 | Zetah Louis, as Parent and Natural Guardian of a Minor Child, R.L., and Jason L. Pettie, in his Capacity as the Trustee of the Bankruptcy Estate of Zetah Louis, v. Willard C. Hearin, M.D.; Rebecca L. Williams, M.D.; Maternal Gynerations, P.C.; Kim Lipscomb, M.D.; Charles Read, M.D.; Obstetrix Medical Group of Atlanta, LLC, d/b/a Maternal Fetal Specialists; Gwinnett Hospital System Physician Group, LLC; and Gwinnett Hospital System, Inc., d/b/a Gwinnett Medical Center | 9-Nov-16 | Medical Malpractice | Jed Manton of Harris Lowry Manton LLP | \$30,545,655 |
| 3 | Luisa Cruz Mezquital v. Abdulmohsen Y. Almased, Oh's Auto Center, and Guangyun Jin d/b/a Oh' Auto Center | 12-Sep-16 | Motor Vehicle Accident | Ben C. Brodhead, Ashley B. Fournet and Jennifer S. Mundy of Brodhead Law, LLC | \$30,485,664 |
| 4 | United States of America vs. Honeywell International Inc., et al. | 29-Jul-16 | Toxic Tort - Government | Bradford C. Patrick of the U.S. Attorney's Office; Stacey A. Haire of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency | \$29,000,000 |
| 5 | Roger Kirschenbaum, as Administrator of the Estate of Florencio Gomez-Mendez, Deceased, and Pascuala Perez-Hernandez, Individually and as Next Friend and Guardian of M.G., E.G. and A.G. minors, v. JAMCO Properties, Inc. and Clayton Carriage Apts. LLC | 9-Sep-16 | Premises Liability | Jeff Shiver, Alan J. Hamilton, R. Scott Campbell and Daniel C. Beer of Shiver Hamilton, LLC | \$20,000,000 |
| 6 | Cheryl Stanford and Wilfred Foster, as Parents and Co-Administrators of the Estate of LeShelton Kernard Stanford v. City of Albany, Molly Loving and Daniel Loving | 12-Oct-16 | Premises Liability - Wrongful Death - Government - Municipalities | Virgil L. Adams of Adams & Jordan PC | \$15,200,000 |
| 7 | Cris A. Nelson and Deborah A. Nelson v. Emory Healthcare, Inc., Charissa Hurst, M.A., Emory Specialty Associates, L.L.C., and John/Jane Doe(s) 1-3 | 6-May-16 | Medical Malpractice | Lloyd N. Bell of Bell Law Firm; R. Keegan Federal of The Federal Firm, LLC | \$15,000,000 |
| 8 | Johnathan L. Seitz v. The United States of America | 27-Apr-16 | Vehicular Liability | Joseph A. Fried and Michael Werner of Fried Rogers Goldberg | \$5,740,767 |
| 9 | Vera Letha Adams the surviving spouse of Perry Wilson Adams, deceased, and James R. Trimm, M.D. in his capacity as the duly appointed executor of The Estate of Perry Wilson Adams, deceased v. Air and Liquid Systems Corporation, et al. | 13-Jun-16 | Products Liability - Asbestos - Wrongful Death | Robert C. Buck of the Buck Law Firm | \$4,993,550 |
| 10 | Thomas E. Smith, Sr., Individually and as Administrator of the Estate of Ok Hui Smith, deceased, v. William H. Van Laar, D.O.; William Van Laar D.O., LLC; Jodi Pesce; and McDonough Primary Care, Inc. | 29-Jun-16 | Medical Malpractice | Andrew Bentley Cash and David Najeeb Krugler of Cash, Krugler & Fredericks, LLC | \$4,700,000 |
| 11 | Teresa Taylor v. Mentor Worldwide LLC and Mentor Corporation | 18-Feb-16 | Products Liability - Medical Devices - Design Defect - Failure to Warn - Manufacturing Defect | Austin Gower of the Law Offices Of Austin Gower | \$4,400,000 |
| 12 | George E. Hand and Betty J. Hand v. South Georgia Urology Center, PC and Gilbert J. Gonzalez, M.D. | 20-Jul-16 | Medical Malpractice - Failure to Monitor - Negligent Treatment - Urological Surgery | Mark A. Tate and James E. Shipley of Tate Law Group | \$3,900,000 |

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| \$30,500,000 Medical malpractice/ Birth injury (2016) | \$16,520,000 Defective tire (2013) | \$17,500,000 Business tort (2010) | \$10,600,000 Defective automobile throttle (2007) |
| \$40,000,000 Automobile wreck (2016) | \$9,850,000 Pool drowning (2011) | \$4,317,494 Medical malpractice (2010) | \$4,500,000 Defective automobile shifter (2006) |
| \$4,800,000 Road rage incident (2015) | \$11,558,366 Postal truck wreck (2010) | \$40,000,000 Defective vehicle transmission (2009) | \$3,500,000 Medical malpractice (2005) |
| \$8,000,000 Sexual molestation (2015) | \$43,500,000 Nursing home abuse (2010) | \$5,000,000 Medical malpractice (2008) | \$47,700,000 Defective automobile seat (2004) |

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| 13 | Jonathan McKenzie v. Lee Supply Company Inc. and Benjamin Casselman | 14-Apr-16 | Vehicular Liability | Alan J. Hamilton of Shiver Hamilton, LLC; James M. Roth of The Roth Firm, LLC | \$2,367,187 |
| 14 | Walter Gunterrance Knox, Executor of the Estate of Walter George Knox, Deceased, and Ida Louvenia Knox, Surviving Spouse of Walter George Knox, Deceased v. Metropolitan Atlanta Cardiology Consultants, P.C. and Forrest Michael Toca, M.D. | 26-Feb-16 | Medical Malpractice - Cardiac Care - Failure to Monitor - Negligent Treatment - Wrongful Death | Richard A. Griggs of Conley Griggs Partin LLP; Stacey A. Carroll of Carroll Law Firm, LLC | \$2,000,000 |
| 15 | Kenneth D. Cox v. Ralph F. Grant | 27-Apr-16 | Vehicular Liability | Darren Summerville of the Summerville Firm LLC | \$1,400,000 |
| 16 | Kristin Morris v. Darrell Eugene Arnold and Glen Arnold | 4-Feb-16 | Motor Vehicle Accident - Premises Liability - Social Host Liability | Randy J. Ebersbach of Kam, Ebersbach & Lewis P.C. | \$1,353,641 |
| 17 | Shawn G. Evans, Guardian for Janice K. Evans v. Tamaurus Sutton, M.D., Emerginet, LLC and Rockdale Hospital, d/b/a Rockdale Medical Center | 29-Feb-16 | Medical Malpractice - Delayed Diagnosis - Emergency Room - Failure to Monitor - Failure to Treat - Hospital - Negligent Treatment - Failure to Diagnose | Lloyd N. Bell of Bell Law Firm; James O. Wilson of the Wilson Law Firm; Lawrence B. Schlachter of the Schlachter Law Firm; Leighton Moore of the Moore Law Firm, PC | \$1,263,844 |
| 18 | Tracy Moretz and Scott Moretz v. James A. Stewart, O.D. and James A. Stewart, O.D., P.C.; Dennis C. Matzkin, M.D. and Dennis C. Matzkin, D.C.M., M.D., and Eye 1st Vision & Laser, LLC | 22-Apr-16 | Medical Malpractice - Eye Surgery - Informed Consent - Surgical Error - Negligent Treatment | James M. Poe of James M. Poe, P.C.; Charles Sholle of Scholle Law | \$875,000 |
| 19 | Barbara Lynnette Martin v. Earthalene Greene Blue | 13-Jul-16 | Motor Vehicle - Intersection - Multiple Vehicle | Robert F. Glass and James A. Robson of Glass & Robson, LLC | \$850,000 |
| 20 | Cynthia Gottlieb v. Anabel Ashamole and State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Co. | 9-Sep-16 | Motor Vehicle Accident | Alan B. Gordon of Alan B. Gordon Esq.; Timothy K. Hall and Adam Collins of Timothy K. Hall, LLC | \$816,000 |
| 21 | Joseph Reboulet v. Mark Schlosberg | 14-Sep-16 | Motor Vehicle - Rear-ender - Motor Vehicle - Multiple Vehicle | Michael L. Goldberg and Eric A. Rogers of Fried Rogers Goldberg LLC | \$813,000 |
| 22 | David Flores and Iris Flores v. Jung Choi and State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company | 15-Dec-16 | Motor Vehicle - Passenger - Multiple Vehicle | Hector R. Cora of Hector R. Cora & Associates, LLC | \$807,000 |
| 23 | Desta Bailey and Antonia Bailey v. Vineyard Industries Inc. dba McDonald's Restaurants | 1-Feb-16 | Premises Liability - Dangerous Condition - Failure to Warn - Restaurant - Slips, Trips & Falls - Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance | Adam P. Princenthal and Matthew T. Wilson of Princenthal & May, LLC | \$685,359 |
| 24 | Carol Monteagudo; Graham Clemence v. Robert James Burton, Jr., M.D.; Piedmont Ear, Nose, Throat & Related Allergy, P.C.; Kinglsey N. Chin, M.D., et al | 3-Aug-16 | Medical Malpractice | Michael G. Regas II (now of Stone Law Group) and M. Paul Reynolds of Houck Reynolds | \$500,000 |
| 25 | Walter Henderson v. LaPrincey Watkins | 3-May-16 | Motor Vehicle Accident | Randal A. Mangham of Randal Alonzo Mangham, LLC; Richard Green of Green & Associates, PC | \$350,000 |
| 26 | Mary Kate Ford v. Lagrange-Troup County Hospital Authority, West Georgia Medical Center, Inc. and West Georgia Health System, Inc. | 2-Mar-16 | Medical Malpractice - Hospital - Slips, Trips & Falls | Quinto S. Seay and Eugene Felton of Stewart, Seay & Felton, LLC | \$325,000 |
| 27 | Ron Medinger v. Michael Williams and Waba, Inc. | 21-Nov-16 | Corporations - Breach of Fiduciary Duty - Intentional Torts - Conversion - Breach of Contract | James M. Sherman and Kara A. Davis of Stanley, Esrey & Buckley, LLP | \$303,942 |
| 28 | Meskerem Debesa, Lemlem Ashame, Kosech Bolka, Muluneh Waga, Tiro Muluneh, Metsinanant Wolde, Netsanet Zeleke, Abona Kowak Ware, Tysione Wolde, Asfaw Debesa, Wolde Legese v. Johnny Marks, Miller Marks, and Marks and Sons Used Cars | 24-Mar-16 | Motor Vehicle - Multiple Vehicle - Passenger | Daniel C. Jason of Jason & Bradley | \$297,000 |
| 29 | Kelly Collins v. Estate of Jon Michael Abbott and Ann Harrera, Administrator of Estate of Jon Michael Abbott | 13-Jun-16 | Motor Vehicle - Multiple Vehicle | Scott M. Williamson of The Williamson Law Firm | \$250,000 |
| 30 | Argentina Watts v. The Kroger Company and E.E. Janitorial Services, Inc. | 26-Oct-16 | Slips, Trips & Falls - Premises Liability | Joseph W. Weeks of McNally, Weeks & Sakas | \$250,000 |

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Medical Negligence, Trucking Accidents, Premises Liability

Over his 25-year career as a trial attorney, Lloyd Bell has earned a reputation as a national leader in personal injury law. With his broad courtroom experience and unwavering commitment to his clients, Bell has consistently achieved record multimillion-dollar results, including:

- \$15 million medical malpractice verdict for man who suffered spinal cord injury
- \$8 million verdict against gun manufacturer and pawn shop owner after handgun malfunctioned, killing 14-year-old boy
- \$4.3 million medical malpractice verdict for who suffered permanent and debilitating nerve damage following stress test
- \$6 million verdict against hotel for negligent security

"I enjoy fighting for the underdog," says Bell, who has been AV Preeminent® rated by Martindale-Hubbell®—the organization's highest rating for legal skill and ethical standards—for more than a decade. "There is no greater calling than helping people fight for the compensation they need to rebuild their lives following a devastating injury."

Bell began his legal career as a captain in the US Army JAG Corps, representing soldiers as trial defense counsel. After leaving the JAG Corps, Bell worked for three years as a corporate defense attorney before founding Bell Law Firm in 1999. Since then, Bell has dedicated his practice exclusively to representing people who have suffered catastrophic injury or the wrongful death of a loved one due to negligence.

During his time representing plaintiffs, Bell has secured numerous verdicts and settlements that have helped his clients rebuild their lives and meet their future medical needs. Indeed, his skill in the courtroom—developed as lead counsel in more than 80 jury trials in courtrooms nationwide—has cemented his reputation as a fearless litigator with a track record of success.

In 2016, for example, Bell achieved verdicts that were among the top results in Georgia for the year (as recognized by LexisNexis and Leaders in the Law): a \$1.26 million recovery in a medical malpractice case and a \$15 million verdict in a case involving a man who was rendered quadriplegic after losing consciousness and falling off exam table.

Bell credits his many notable results to the personal attention and creativity that Bell Law Firm brings to each client's case. "By limiting the number of cases I handle, I can take the time to really know and understand my clients," Bell says. "I'm always prepared to tell my client's story to the jury and explain the need for full and fair compensation," Bell says.

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| 1 | United States of America, ex. rel. Ralph D. Williams, Bringing This Action On Behalf Of The United States Of America, and The State of Georgia v. Tenet Healthcare Corporation, et al. | 3-Oct-16 | Fraud - False Claims Act | Aimee J. Hall of the United States Attorney's Office; Marlan B. Wilbanks and Susan S. Gouinlock of Wilbanks & Gouinlock, LLP; C. Neal Pope, R. Timothy Morrison, Wade H. (Trip) Tomlinson, Jay F. Hirsch, and Kimberly J. Johnson of Pope, McGlamry, Kilpatrick, Morrison & Norwood, P.C.; Samuel S. Olens of the Office from the Attorney General of Georgia; Britt C. Grant from the Office of the Solicitor General of the State of Georgia; Nancy B. Allstrom, Sara E. Vann and Elizabeth S. White of the Georgia Medicaid Fraud Control Unit | \$368,000,000 |
| 2 | Bert Jessmon v. W/a Kendall & Co. Inc., James Claude Starks, Elizabeth Bushika Smiley, and Greenwich Insurance Co. | 14-Nov-16 | Motor Vehicle - Truck - Passenger - Worker/ Workplace Negligence - Negligent Hiring | Brandon L. Peak, Tedra Cannella, Ramsey Prather, and Rory Weeks of Butler Wooten & Peak; Gerald Davidson of Mahaffey Pickens & Tucker | \$11,000,000 |
| 3 | Stanley Ricky Dennis and Brenda Gail Jackson v. Charlotte Harp | 1-Feb-16 | Motor Vehicle - Pedestrian - Work Zone | Susanne Witt Langlais of the Langlais Law Group | \$4,000,000 |
| 4 | Rodney Caines v. Santos Trejo | 27-May-16 | Vehicular Liability | Ben C. Brodhead and Ashley B. Fournet of the Law Offices Of Ben C. Brodhead PC | \$2,400,000 |
| 5 | Equal Employment Opportunity Commission v. Georgia Power Co. | 15-Nov-16 | Discrimination. Alleged Violation of ADA | Steven A. Wagner, Ottrell F. Edwards and Lakisha D. Zimbabwe of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission | \$1,586,500 |
| 6 | Olivia Johnson v. Ashley Mathieson and Sean Kelly | 25-Apr-16 | Negligent Violation of Ministerial Duties | Joseph R. Neal of Neal Law Offices; Joshua G. Schiffer and David Olson of ChancoSchiffer P.C. | \$1,500,000 |
| 7 | Rayford Morris v. Jamie Bodner and JB Fitness Trainer Inc. dba Pinnacle Fitness | 22-Mar-16 | Premises Liability - Parking Lot - Dog Bite - Slips, Trips & Falls - Fall from Height - Negligence Per Se - Animal Control | Renee Anne Morgan of Hung Q. Nguyen & Associates, LLC | \$350,000 |
| 8 | Rodriguez Price v. Tailfeathers LLC dba Tailfeathers Restaurant & Piano Bar and Hammond TSO LP | 1-Apr-16 | Premises Liability - Amusement Park/Place of Entertainment - Inadequate or Negligent Security - Parking Lot - Restaurant | Mark E. Murray of The Murray Law Firm, LLC; Chuck Clay of Chuck Clay & Associates | \$350,000 |
| 9 | Jennifer Hennelly v. Sawti Jain | 8-Jul-16 | Motor Vehicle - Lane Change - Head-On - Multiple Vehicle - Multiple Impact | Charles Scholle of Scholle Law | \$300,000 |
| 10 | Elisheva Williams v. Hair Images, Inc. | 10-Feb-16 | Worker/Workplace Negligence - Negligent Retention - Negligent Hiring - Negligent Supervision - Negligent Training | Susan M. Witt of Witt Law Group | \$250,000 |
| 11 | David L. Williams Sr. v. Clyde Loynes and Andrew Thompson | 10-Mar-16 | Motor Vehicle - Rear-ender - Multiple Impact - Broadside - Multiple Vehicle - Underinsured Motorist | Thomas J. Ashenden of Ashenden & Associates, PC | \$161,200 |
| 12 | John Barrow v. Ken Johnson | 21-Jan-16 | Motor Vehicle - Motorcycle | Kenneth Kalivoda of Hudson, Montgomery, Kalivoda & Connelly | \$120,000 |
| 13 | Equal Employment Opportunity Commission v. Harrison Poultry Inc. | 4-Oct-16 | Civil Rights - ADA - Employment - Failure to Accommodate - Wrongful Termination - Disability Discrimination | Sairalina Montesino, Ottrell F. Edwards and Lakisha D. Zimbabwe of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission | \$100,000 |

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Melvin M. Goldstein

Administrative Law, Licensing Law

Mel Goldstein has been serving clients with licensing issues in the State Of Georgia for over 35 years. He is an AV Preeminent lawyer rated by Martindale-Hubbell and has been recognized in the Bar Register of Preeminent lawyers. After graduating from Wayne State University Law School (J.D., Magna Cum Laude, 1974), Mr. Goldstein did a 4-and-a-half year stint as an Assistant Attorney General, State Of Georgia primarily representing the licensing boards.

Thereafter, he heard thousands of cases as an Administrative Law Judge for various agencies.

For the past 25 years, his experience has been focused on representing businesses and individuals in licensure or disciplinary actions brought by the State. Mel Goldstein's unique perspective in the representation of these matters has been forged by the combination of being a prosecutor, judge and defense attorney.

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Duke Groover focuses his law practice on commercial and business litigation, including business torts, class actions and complex commercial cases. Over the years, he has resolved complex matters for a wide variety of businesses and public entities. Mr. Groover's experience includes serving as lead counsel in numerous trials, arbitrations, appellate arguments, court appearances and mediations. He has prosecuted and defended successfully a number of multimillion-dollar disputes on behalf of various clients. Additionally, as General Counsel for the Georgia Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company, the largest domestic insurer in Georgia, Mr. Groover has developed an expertise in insurance law and regulation. Mr. Groover also represents physician practices and hospitals in connection with regulatory issues and complex litigation.

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Ruby Knight, a name partner at Knight & Associates, has more than 27 years of experience handling family, criminal and personal injury matters in the State of Georgia. She has been a member of the Georgia State Bar since 1990.

Ms. Knight leads a dedicated firm of lawyers and staff who focus on family, criminal and personal injury matters. The firm has also successfully represented clients for additional legal claims, including DUI & DWI defense, insurance claims and motor vehicle accidents.

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Stephen C. Steele

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After graduating from Georgia Tech and Emory University School of Law, Stephen C. Steele began practicing law in 1978. He prosecuted misdemeanors and felonies in Cobb County, Georgia before focusing his practice upon family law. He served as Chairman of the Family Law Section of the State Bar of Georgia from 2005 through 2006. He was President of the Charles Longstreet Weltner Family Law Inn of Court from 2010 until 2012. He is a Fellow of the American and International Academies of Matrimonial Lawyers. He is Board Certified in Family Law Trial Advocacy by the National Board of Trial Advocacy. He has been included among the Best Lawyers in America since 2014. Steve has been honored to be selected by his peers as a Georgia Super Lawyer each year since 2007.

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Other attorneys refer cases to Mr. Neuberger because of his reputation for leaving no stone unturned during litigation and his intense scrutiny of all evidence in complex cases. "I enjoy the challenge of assessing the facts and testimony in a case, anticipating what a defense attorney will do, and then finding countermeasures," said Mr. Neuberger.

Mr. Neuberger graduated from Emory University School of Law in 1993. He has been selected for inclusion to the Georgia Super Lawyers list as seen in Atlanta Magazine every year since 2010.

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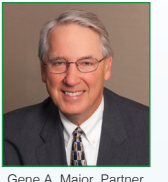
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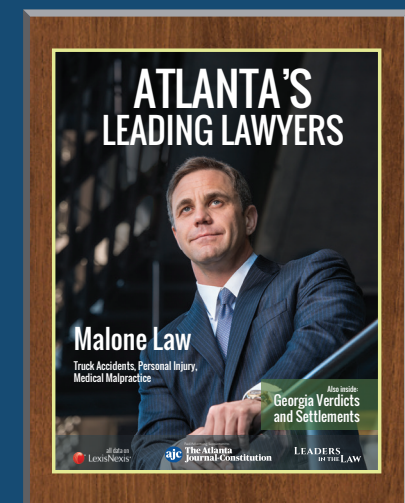
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Tom's partner, Larry Gordon, joined him in 1983 after obtaining his B.A. and J.D. from the University of Florida. He also holds an LL.M. in Taxation from Emory University, which he earned in 1982. Before joining Affleck & Gordon, Larry was an attorney advisor to the Social Security Administration's Office of Hearings and Appeals, where he served as Advisor to the Chief Administrative Law Judge of the Social Security Administration at the national level, as well as an Attorney Advisor to the Atlanta Office of Hearings and Appeals. He is an avid runner and has won many awards for his running achievements. In addition to being a sustaining member of NOSSCR, he is also a member of the State Bars of Georgia, Florida and the Bar of the District of Columbia. He has served on the boards of directors for the Atlanta Track Club, Southeast Region of the Anti-Defamation League, and the Marcus Jewish Community Center of Greater Atlanta.

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