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SUMMARY:

Bill Hannah is a trial lawyer who advises, counsels, and represents companies and individuals involved in disputes or defending against allegations of liability.

WORK EXPERIENCE:

Bill represents parties in connection with disputes involving commercial, business and creditor rights, disputes involving product liability, personal injury and wrongful death claims, and disputes involving employment, insurance coverage and claims, construction, transportation and professional liability issues. He also represents clients in state and federal trial and appellate courts, as well as in mediations and arbitrations, and before administrative boards and regulatory entities.

Bill advises and represents:

- Businesses in commercial disputes and in complex business litigation, as well as on matters relating to consumer claims, risk management, insurance coverage and claims, and debt collection;
- Employers on matters relating to employment and human resources, including hiring, compensation, benefits, leave, workplace injury, discipline, and termination decisions and employment law compliance;
- Insurance carriers and insureds in policy interpretation matters, coverage and claims disputes, subrogation matters, and bad faith litigation;
- Product manufacturers and sellers in products liability and consumer claims litigation; and
- Attorneys and law firms in connection with professional responsibility, professional liability, and legal ethics and best practices.

Bill has been retained by and have served as approved or panel counsel for insurance carriers in the defense of insureds under a variety of insurance

coverages, including Auto, HO, CGL, Workers' Compensation, OAIC, EPL, D&O and E&O policies.

- Bill is active in bar association committees and attorney organizations addressing legal ethics, professional responsibility, professionalism in the practice of law, and issues relating to the unauthorized practice of law.
- Reported cases on which he has served as counsel include:
 - *Morrison v. Allen*, 338 S.W.3d 417 (Tenn. 2011).
 - *Murvin v. Cofer*, 968 S.W.2d 304 (Tenn. App. 1997) (perm. app. den. 1998).
 - *Mitts v. Mitts*, 39 S.W.3d 142 (Tenn. App. 2000) (perm. app. den. 2001).

PRACTICE AREAS:

- Litigation and Risk Management, including:
 - Commercial and Business Disputes
 - Insurance Coverage and Claims
 - Insurance Defense
 - Personal Injury
 - Product and Professional Liability
 - Construction
- Employment Law and Litigation
- Representation of attorneys and law firms in connection with professional responsibility, professional liability, and legal ethics and best practices

EDUCATION:

University of Tennessee College of Law, Knoxville, Tennessee

J.D., 1994

Member, Phi Delta Phi

Recipient, Certificate of Excellence – Law and Medicine Seminar

Millsaps College, Jackson, Mississippi

B.A. *magna cum laude*, 1991

Major: Political Science

Minor: Business Administration

Member, Phi Beta Kappa

Recipient, Reid and Cynthia Bingham Award for Distinction in the Study of Political Science

ADMISSIONS:

All State Trial and Appellate Courts in Tennessee, Georgia, and Mississippi
U.S. Supreme Court, 2004
U.S. Court of Appeals Fifth Circuit, 2005
U.S. Court of Appeals Sixth Circuit, 1997
U.S. Court of Appeals Eleventh Circuit, 2004
U.S. District Court Eastern District of Tennessee, 1995
U.S. District Court Middle District of Tennessee, 2003
U.S. District Court Northern District of Georgia, 1995
U.S. District Court Northern District of Mississippi, 2005
U.S. District Court Southern District of Mississippi, 2005

LEGAL ASSOCIATIONS:

- Chattanooga Bar Association
Member and past Chair, Unauthorized Practice of Law Committee
- Tennessee Bar Association
Member and past Chair, Unauthorized Practice of Law Committee
Member, Ethics and Professional Responsibility Committee
Litigation Section; Appellate Law Section
- American Bar Association
Member, Litigation Section
Member, Tort Trial and Insurance Practice Section
Member, Labor & Employment Section
- Lookout Mountain Bar Association
- State Bar of Georgia
Member, Professional Liability Section
- The Mississippi Bar
- Federal Bar Association
- American Inns of Court, Brock-Cooper Chapter – Master of the Bench
President, 2014-2015; Executive Committee Member; past Secretary
- Defense Research Institute
Employment Law Committee Member
- Tennessee Defense Lawyers Association
- Association of Professional Responsibility Lawyers
- Tennessee Board of Professional Responsibility, Hearing Committee Member
First Term 2003-2006, Second Term 2006-2009

CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS:

United Way of Greater Chattanooga, Allocation Panel member (2011, 2012, 2014)

Assistant Scoutmaster, Boy Scout Troop 172

ACHIEVEMENTS:

- *Best Lawyers in America*, Insurance Litigation
- Martindale-Hubbell® AV® Preeminent™ Peer Review Rated
- Avvo Rating: 10.0 - Superb
- Albert L. Hodge Volunteer Award, Chattanooga Bar Association, 2006
- Leadership Law Class, Tennessee Bar Association, 2008