

# GALLOWAY

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## George Gaston

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## ABOUT GEORGE

George's more than 13 years of civil litigation experience have given him the knowledge and skill to assess the merits of a case early and accurately, always with an eye to achieving his clients' business goals. Having spent much of his legal career in Mobile, Alabama, George has a firm grasp of the legal issues and knowledge of the venues in Alabama. He is also admitted to and regularly advocates for clients in Mississippi and Tennessee.

George focuses his practice on insurance defense, representing insureds in personal injury, construction defect, and professional liability matters. He also works routinely on real estate and title resolution-related matters and has represented property owners and lenders when faced with adverse claims which might affect title to their property.

A native of Mobile, Alabama, George has three sons with his wife Tawnya. He enjoys playing and listening to music, walking, gardening, and cheering for Auburn University athletics and the New Orleans Pelicans. He serves as a teacher and deacon in his church congregation.

## Practices

Construction Litigation  
HOA Law  
Premises Liability  
Real Estate & Property

## Industries

Construction

## Education

- J.D., *cum laude*,  
University of Alabama  
School of Law
- B.S., *magna cum laude*,  
Marketing, Auburn  
University

## Admissions

- Alabama
- Mississippi
- Tennessee
- U.S. District Court for the  
Northern District of  
Alabama
- U.S. District Court for the  
Middle District of  
Alabama

## **Representative Matters**

- Obtained a complete defense verdict at a bench trial on behalf of a grocery store whose customer fell in a puddle of water which had apparently leaked from refrigeration equipment.
- Procured the dismissal of an insured electrical subcontractor from a complex construction defect arbitration proceeding on the basis that no contractual provision in the insured's settlement agreement with the general contractor required participation in any subsequent arbitration.
- Obtained summary judgment in a wrongful death case by a nursing home decedent's family against several defendants, including our client ambulance company.
- Resolved a client mortgage lender's title defect in less than two months and without the necessity of filing potentially drawn-out and costly litigation.
- Obtained a voluntary dismissal of the client loan servicer from a plaintiff borrower's wrongful foreclosure lawsuit based on the argument that judicial estoppel applied as an affirmative defense based on the borrower's prior sworn and inconsistent statements in an earlier filed bankruptcy case.
- Received a positive outcome on behalf of an insured residential property owner in a bench trial involving a property boundary dispute and adverse possession matter.
- Provided guidance to a neighborhood association throughout its successful process to update its declaration of covenants to provide for the collection of assessments and protection of property values through revised and uniform standards for all property owners across five phases of development.

## **Speaking Engagements**

- "How to Read Surveys, Descriptions and Plats," National Business Institute Continuing Legal Education Seminar
- "Best Practices for Curing Title Problems," National Business Institute Continuing Legal Education Seminar

- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Alabama
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi

## **Associations**

- Mobile County Bar Association
- South Alabama Volunteer Lawyers Program