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### **ABOUT NATHAN**

Nathan Burrow is a Director in the firm's Mobile office, where he handles litigation throughout Alabama and Mississippi. His practice primarily focuses on complex personal injury and wrongful death litigation, construction defect litigation, and workers' compensation claims in Alabama and Mississippi.

Nathan has extensive experience representing commercial trucking owners/operators, premises owners, maritime/industrial/manufacturing clients and medical professionals in injury litigation relating to commercial vehicle accidents, product's liability actions, medical malpractice lawsuits, premises liability and negligent security claims. In addition, a substantial portion of his practice is dedicated to representing architects, engineers, and contractors in professional liability and construction defect litigation. He is also experienced in handling insurance bad-faith litigation. Throughout his career, he has also represented employers and insurance carriers under the Alabama and Mississippi Workers' Compensation Acts. He is a frequent speaker on workers' compensation practices and procedures.

#### **Practices**

Construction Litigation
Healthcare Law
Insurance Defense & Coverage
Professional Liability
Trucking
Workers' Compensation

#### **Industries**

Amusement, Entertainment, Hospitality & Sports Construction Healthcare Retail & Restaurant Transportation

#### **Education**

- J.D., The University of Mississippi School of Law, 2008
- B.A., The University of Mississippi, 2005

Nathan approaches each case intending to resolve his client's legal issues efficiently and cost-effectively. Having defended and tried civil cases and workers' compensation claims to verdicts in Alabama, Mississippi and Florida, he has consistently displayed the knowledge and ability to guide clients through the litigation process from initial claim investigation through trial and appeal. A skilled legal writer and persuasive oral advocate, Nathan has obtained summary dismissal of numerous lawsuits via motion practice in state and federal court. He has also briefed and argued cases before the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, the Alabama Supreme Court, the Mississippi Supreme Court, and the Mississippi Court of Appeals.

Born and raised in central Mississippi, Nathan moved to Gulfport, MS, after law school, where he clerked for U.S. Chief Magistrate Judge John M. Roper in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi. He has practiced on the Gulf Coast his entire legal career. He and his family live in Pascagoula, Mississippi, where he remains professionally and civically active. He is a member of the Harrison County, Jackson County and Mobile Bar Associations and the Russell-Blass-Walker chapter of the American Inns of Court. In 2023, Mississippi Business Journal recognized him as a Leader in Law.

## **Representative Matters**

- Obtained complete defense verdict in favor of apartment owner and property manager in 1.5week trial where plaintiff alleged reactive airway disease from mold exposure.
- Obtained favorable verdict on behalf of stucco applicator in 2-week construction defect trial, with majority of fault attributed to general contractor who sued firm's client on a third-party demand.
- Obtained favorable settlement for general contractor after close of plaintiff's case-in-chief in week-long construction defect trial.
- Obtained defense verdict in favor of employer and carrier in Mississippi workers' compensation claim where claimant alleged total disability due to reactive airway disease from mold exposure.

#### **Admissions**

- Mississippi, 2008
- Alabama, 2014
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Mississippi
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Alabama
- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Alabama
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Alabama
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

#### **Associations**

- Harrison County Bar Association
- Jackson County Bar Association
- Mobile County Bar Association
- Mississippi Defense Lawyers Association
- Russell-Blass-Walker Chapter of American Inns of Court

- Obtained summary judgment for regional grocer in premises liability lawsuit after successfully striking plaintiff's liability expert on *Daubert* grounds, which was later upheld on appeal by the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals.
- Obtained dismissal of a product liability claim against a manufacturer based upon statute of limitations where plaintiff failed to timely substitute firm's client for a fictious defendant.
- Obtained summary judgment in favor of national retailer in premises liability claim where plaintiff claimed severe injuries as a result of a slip-and-fall.
- Obtained summary judgment for national hotel chain where plaintiff alleged she slipped and fell on an accumulation of ice in the client's parking lot.
- Obtained dismissal of personal injury lawsuit based upon plaintiff's intentional misrepresentations of her physical condition in discovery responses.
- Obtained directed verdict in favor of utility contract in lawsuit where plaintiff alleged severe injuries due to faulty hydraulic line in a bucket truck.
- Obtained defense verdict in favor of a physician following two-week medical malpractice trial.

## **Awards & Recognitions**

