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Doris practices throughout Louisiana, Mississippi, Texas, and Florida, representing clients in the areas of employment law, insurance coverage, subrogation and general liability. Doris practices throughout Louisiana, Mississippi, Texas, and Florida, representing clients in the areas of employment law, insurance coverage, subrogation and general liability. She holds an extensive background in civil and workers' compensation litigation, having represented clients before state, federal, and administrative courts. In recognition of Doris' career and community achievements, the New Orleans CityBusiness Board selected Doris as a "Leader in Law." The New Orleans Chapter of the Federal Bar Association also honored Doris with the Camille Gravel Public Service Award. She is a recipient of the Executive Women International, New Orleans Chapter's Representative of the Year Award. Doris is also the first Hispanic female on record to practice in the state of Mississippi.

Doris' trial experience began as an Assistant District Attorney, Orleans Parish, State of Louisiana, where she handled jury and judge trials. She has also handled civil trials throughout local and district courts in Louisiana and Mississippi and has tried claims before the Mississippi Workers' Compensation Commission. She now maintains a regional practice and serves as the Managing Director of the firm's Gulfport, Mississippi office.

Doris provides seminars on the topics of employer's liability, workers' compensation, insurance coverage, and subrogation law. She has also been recognized as a mediator in Mississippi. She is a member of the Louisiana Bar Association, Mississippi Bar Association, Texas Bar Association, Florida Bar Association, Defense Research Institute (DRI), Executive Women International, and the International Amusement and Leisure Defense Association. She has also served with organizations and on committees that foster diversity, including diversity in the legal profession.

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EDUCATION:

- Loyola University School of Law, New Orleans, Louisiana, J.D., 1995
- Loyola University, New Orleans, B.A., Political Science, 1991

BAR ADMISSIONS:

- State of Louisiana, 1996
- State of Mississippi, 2000
- State Bar of Texas, 2011
- State of Florida, 2014
- United States Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, 2000
- Supreme Court of the United States, 2003
- U.S. District Court: Eastern, Middle and Western Districts of Louisiana
- U.S. District Court: Northern and Southern Districts of Mississippi

PRACTICE AREAS:

- Employer's Liability, Public Entity & Civil Rights
- Workers' Compensation
- Subrogation
- Retail & Restaurant
- Amusements, Sports & Recreation
- Hospitality, Entertainment & Leisure
- Professional Liability
- Insurance Defense

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS:

- Louisiana Association of Defense Counsel - Board Member, Employment Law Practice Group
- Defense Research Institute (DRI)
- International Amusement and Leisure Defense Association(IALDA)
- Louisiana Bar Association
- Mississippi Bar Association
- Texas Bar Association

LECTURES:

"Legal Update: Sexual Harassment Law," presented to CNA Insurance Companies, August 2010, Chicago, Illinois.

"Successful Subrogation," presented to Sedgwick, August 2010, Memphis, Tennessee.

Lorman Employment Law Seminar, March 2011, New Orleans, Louisiana.

"Construction Law: Cost Containment Strategies", May 2011, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

"Hot Topic Review of Employment Law", September 2011, New York, New York.

Construction Law Seminar, March 2012, Dallas, Texas.

"Successful Subrogation", October 2012, CEU Institute, Metairie, Louisiana.

"Claims Adjustment and Ethics", 3rd Annual Maritime Fall Seminar, October 2012, Houston, Texas.

"Employment Practices Liability in Texas, Louisiana and Florida", October 2013, New York, New York.

"Subrogation: Identifying and Investigating Subrogation Claims", January 2014, Little Rock, Arkansas.

"Bad Faith Claims: Third and First Party" and "Negotiation Strategies", May 2015, San Bernardino, California.

"Employment Practices Liability - A Sampling of the Southern States", July 2015, New York, New York.

"As the World Turns – the Evolution of Labor and Employment Law", August 2015, New Orleans, Louisiana.

QUALIFICATIONS/ACHIEVEMENTS INCLUDE:

- Trials by jury in Orleans Parish, Louisiana and the United States District Court, Eastern District of Louisiana; Jones County and Hinds County, Mississippi and United States District Court, Southern District of Mississippi.
- Bench trials in Orleans Parish and St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana and United States District Court, Southern District of Mississippi.
- Briefed appellate cases, with oral arguments before Louisiana's Fourth and Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals and United States Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals.
- Defended employers' liability, automobile, general liability, and premises liability, personal injury claims including those in the amusement, recreation, and leisure industry.
- Acted as Coverage Counsel for insurance carriers regarding Comprehensive General Liability policies.
- Defended workers' compensation carriers and employers in Louisiana and Mississippi.
- Defended employment discrimination, wrongful termination, and employment contract claims in Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas.
- Prosecuted subrogation claims on behalf of employers in Louisiana and Mississippi
- Recognized Mediator by the Mississippi Bar Association.
- Seminar Speaker: topics including insurance coverage, employment practices, workers' compensation, bad faith, subrogation and construction.