

GALLOWAY JOHNSON TOMPKINS BURR AND SMITH



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EDUCATION:

- Loyola University School of Law, J.D.
- Loyola University, M.A., Religious Studies
- -Loyola University, B.A., Philosophy
- Loyola University, Fellow Institute of Politics

BAR ADMISSIONS:

- Louisiana
- United States District Court All Districts in Louisiana
- United States Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals



Lambert J. Hassinger Jr. | Director

Lambert J. Hassinger Jr. (Joe) is a problem solver. His long-term client relationships are based on excellent communication, early case assessment, and candid advice. Joe understands that the goal is to bring the matter to conclusion in the most efficient and effective way possible. As Joe explains, "clients deserve proactive, focused, and deliberate strategies and tactics. So, if we need to try the case, let's try it. If we can resolve it by mediation or negotiation, let's work toward that goal. Either way, we will push the case to conclusion."

That methodology makes sense for our clients and our firm. "Our clients are under constant pressure to reduce litigation expense, which is in large part a function of cycle time and whether the litigation is managed by a client and attorney who work in sync," Joe explains. "And as a successful law firm," he adds, "we are profitable not by maximizing billing opportunities on a particular matter or in a particular month, but by building and maintaining long-term client relationships that result in our clients calling on us again and again to solve problems."

Joe manages litigation in both state and federal courts. He has tried cases in every federal district in Louisiana as well as in parishes across the State. He has also successfully litigated cases before the United States Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals.

Joe has earned a Martindale Hubbell **Client Review Rating of "Preeminent"** based on Communication Ability, Responsiveness, Quality of Service and Value for Money. He has earned a Martindale Hubbell **Peer Review Rating of "AV Preeminent,"** based on Legal Knowledge, Analytical Capabilities, Judgment, Communication Ability and Legal Experience.

In 2011, Joe was privileged to complete the CLM Litigation Management Institute and earn the designation of Certified Litigation Management Professional (CLMP). That designation recognizes his understanding of and commitment to the business of managing litigation, as well as the value, skills and knowledge he brings to his business and client base.

Joe is also a trained mediator, and serves as a mediator at MAPS Mediation and Arbitration Services (<u>www.maps-adr.com</u>).

Joe was recognized as a Top Lawyer for 2014, 2013, and 2010 by New Orleans Magazine, and selected as a 2010 Leader in Law by New Orleans CityBusiness. Joe has also been selected by his peers for inclusion in *Best Lawyers in America in 2016 and 2017.*

PRACTICE AREAS

- Mass Torts/Class Actions
- Insurance Defense & Coverage
- Trucking & Transportation
- Construction Defect
- Retail & Restaurant

- Public Entity & Civil Rights
- Professional Liability
- -Hospitality, Entertainment & Leisure
- -Amusements, Sports & Recreation
- Products Liability

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CLIENT REVIEWS POSTED ON MARTINDALE.COM

"Mr. Hassinger did an outstanding job for our firm."

"Having used Joe Hassinger for many years I can tell you that he is a gentleman in and out of court. Always calm, yet demanding and has defended us numerous times successfully. He has never lost a case for our corporation in the last 15 years."

"Would recommend without a second thought and you definitely get your money's worth."

"Joe is an outstanding attorney. I have worked with him for quite a few years and have never been anything less than completely satisfied. I highly recommend Joe... If he can't handle your situation himself he will help you find an attorney that is an expert in the field you require."

"Joe is a very methodical, purposeful trial attorney who is easy to communicate with. He also has a likeability that people/jurors respond well to. I would highly recommend him to any physician in Louisiana."

TRIAL SKILLS, LITIGATION MANAGEMENT & MEDIATION TRAINING

- National Institute For Trial Advocacy
- Hastings College of Law Trial Advocacy
- Certified Mediator
- Litigation Management Institute Claims & Litigation Management Alliance

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Civic/Government:

• President, Board of Commissioners - Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority - East

Industry:

- International Amusement and Leisure Defense Assn. (IALDA) Past President
- National Retail and Restaurant Defense Assn. (NRRDA) Founding Member and Board of Directors
- Louisiana Retailers Association
- Louisiana Restaurant Association
- International Association of Amusement Parks and Attractions (IAAPA)
- Associated Builders & Contractors (ABC)
- Louisiana Housing Council

Insurance/Claims Management

- Claims & Litigation Management Alliance (CLM)
- Louisiana Claims Association
- PIA of Louisiana & 1752 Club
- RIMS