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Clarence M. Small, Jr., born July 24, 1934, received his Bachelor of Science degree from Auburn University in 1956, and his Bachelor of Laws from the University of Alabama in 1961. He is a member of Omicron Delta Kappa, Order of the Coif, Delta Sigma Pi business fraternity and Alpha Tau Omega social fraternity.

He served as an officer in the United States Army Artillery Corps. from 1956 to 1958 and was honorably discharged.

In 1961 he joined the firm of Rives & Peterson where he specialized in civil litigation, mediation and arbitration until July 2000. He is now senior partner with Christian & Small LLP, the successor to Rives & Peterson.

He is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, the American Bar Foundation, the International Academy of Trial Lawyers, and the American Board of Trial Advocates. He is a member of the International Association of Defense Counsel, The Defense Research Institute, and the Alabama Defense Lawyers Association. He is listed in the publications *The Best Lawyers in America* and Marquis' *Who's Who in America*.

He was the President of the Alabama State Bar in 1992 and 1993, and he was President of the Birmingham Bar Association in 1979. He was a member of the House of Delegates of the American Bar Association from 1983 to 1990. He was appointed by the Supreme Court of Alabama to serve on Its Appellate Rules Committee and the committee which developed the Uniform Rules of Evidence now used in the trial courts throughout the State of Alabama.

From 1987 to 1993 he was a member of the Jefferson County Judicial Commission whose responsibility it is to nominate candidates for judgeships in Jefferson County when vacancies occur between elections. He has served on the Board of Trustees of the Alabama Bar Foundation and the Farrah Law Society.

Over the past twenty years Small has acted as a mediator or arbitrator in a wide variety of civil cases which were pending in Central and North Alabama. They involved, among other issues, business disputes, commercial transactions, bank failures, catastrophic personal injury, product liability, insurance disputes, and fraud and bad faith. While President of the State Bar, he participated in the establishment of Alabama's Alternative Dispute Resolution Center. He is listed in the Martindale-Hubbell Dispute Resolution Directory. He is a member of the JAMS Panel of Arbitrators and Mediators, and the Alternative Dispute Resolution section of the Alabama State Bar.

Small is a member of the Birmingham, Alabama, and American Bar Associations. He is admitted to practice in all State and Federal Courts in Alabama, in the United States Courts of Appeals for the Third, Fifth, Sixth, Ninth, and Eleventh Circuits and the Supreme Court of the United States.

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