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EDUCATION

J.D., University of South Carolina School of Law, 2003

B.S., Business Administration, The Citadel - The Military College of South Carolina, 1998

SERVICE LINES

Litigation and Disputes

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Commercial Litigation

Federal Court Litigation

Product Liability

Professional Liability

BUSINESS SECTORS

Health Care

Hospitality, Leisure and Sports

Manufacturing

Transportation and Distribution

Bennett serves as Regional Service Line Leader for the Litigation and Disputes Service Line and as a member of Shumaker's Finance and Hiring Committees. In practice for 20 years, Bennett advises businesses and individuals on complex legal issues. His diverse litigation practice focuses on health care, skilled nursing facilities, transportation and commercial trucking, products liability, professional liability, business, commercial and probate disputes, and retail and hospitality. Bennett has litigated cases all over the State of South Carolina, having tried to conclusion an extensive variety of cases throughout his career in state and federal courts.

Additionally, Bennett is a Certified Circuit Court Mediator and Arbitrator in the State of South Carolina.

Outside of his busy practice, Bennett enjoys boating, cooking, running, and spending time with his wife and four children.

Media Mentions:

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BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

- South Carolina
- United States District Court, District of South Carolina
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit

PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS

- Member of the Product Liability Advisory Counsel (PLAC)
- Member of the International Association of Defense Counsel (IADC)
- Charleston County Bar Association
- South Carolina Bar Association
- South Carolina Leukemia & Lymphoma Society

HONORS

- AV[®] Preeminent and Judicial AV[®] Preeminent Peer Review Rated by Martindale Hubbell
- American Board of Trial Advocates (ABOTA)
- Best Lawyers in America, 2019 - 2023
- *Charleston Business Magazine*, Legal Elite, Medical Malpractice - Defendant (2023)
- South Carolina Super Lawyer, by *Super Lawyers* magazine, Personal Injury General - Defense (2015 - 2023), Rising Stars (2012 - 2014)
- *Charleston Business Magazine*, Legal Elite of the Lowcountry, Business Litigation, Insurance (2017)