

A trial lawyer for more than four decades, Pat's practice focuses on the defense of hospitals, health care providers and nursing homes. He has tried many medical malpractice cases to jury verdict and defended numerous personal injury cases over the course of his legal career. His accomplishments in the courtroom have not gone unnoticed-he was named Lexington's 2015 Medical Malpractice Defense "Lawyer of the Year" and 2016 Personal Injury Defense "Lawyer of the Year" by U.S. News-Best Lawyers.

Applying the wealth of trial and practical experience he's acquired over the course of his legal career, Pat is an experienced mediator. As a certified mediator, Pat has mediated hundreds of cases involving personal injury, complex torts, medical malpractice and nursing home claims, as well as contracts and other business disputes.

EXPERIENCE

- Advanced Attorney-Mediator Training, Association of Attorney-Mediators (2015)
- Certified Mediator, Administrative Office of the Courts
- Law Clerk to Judge John S. Palmore, Kentucky Court of Appeals (then Kentucky's highest court) (1973-1974)
- Assistant Fayette County Attorney (1975-1983)

ACCOLADES

- American College of Trial Lawyers, Fellow
- Litigation Counsel of America, Fellow
- Best Lawyers in America, Lexington Personal Injury Litigation "Lawyer of the Year" (2016)
- Best Lawyers in America, Lexington Medical Malpractice Defense "Lawyer of the Year" (2015)
- Best Lawyers in America: Medical Malpractice Defense; Personal Injury Litigation Defense
- Martindale-Hubbell AV Rated Preeminent
- Rated "2013 Top Rated Lawyers in Healthcare Law" by American Lawyer Media and Martindale-Hubbell
- Kentucky Super Lawyers: Medical Malpractice Defense, Personal Injury Defense, Alternative Dispute Resolution

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

- HELP ME HELP YOU: 15 Ways to Play an Active Role in Your Legal Defense, M.D. Update, the Business Magazine of Kentucky Physicians and Healthcare Professionals (May 2015)
- Mediation for Resolving Disputes in the Healthcare Setting, M.D. Update (February 2014)

PROFESSIONAL & CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- Defense Research Institute, Inc., Kentucky Representative (2011-2014), Southern Regional Director (2015-2018)
- Kentucky Defense Counsel, President (2009-2010), Past President (2010-2011)
- Fayette County Bar Association
- Kentucky Bar Association
- American Bar Association, Litigation and Torts & Insurance Practice Sections
- American Association for Justice
- Kentucky Justice Association
- American Health Lawyers Association
- Kentucky Access to Justice Commission
- Association of Attorney-Mediators
- Central Kentucky American Inn of Court