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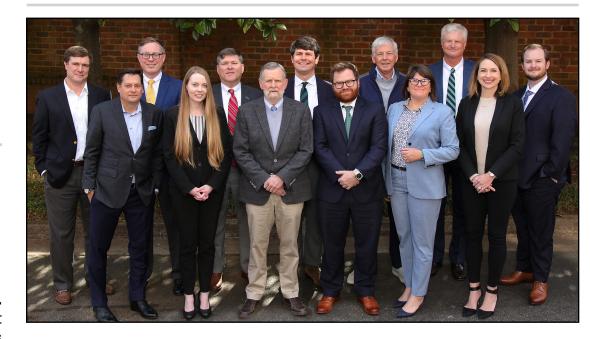
### NATIONWIDE REPRESENTATION

Over the last 8 years, we've secured more than \$800 million for our clients. We fought medical device manufacturers that didn't properly design and test products before bringing them to market. We fought unsafe trucking companies and irresponsible VA hospitals. We fought nursing homes that put profits over patient safety and insurance companies that refused to treat people fairly.

We won.

We welcome the opportunity to work on a case with you.

We handle cases across Georgia and throughout the United States.



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## AREAS OF PERSONAL INJURY LAW

MEDICAL MALPRACTICE V.A. MALPRACTICE DENTAL MALPRACTICE BIRTH INJURIES NURSING HOME ABUSE & NEGLECT DEFECTIVE & DANGEROUS PRODUCTS CAR/TRACTOR-TRAILER WRECKS PREMISES LIABILITY



# LEADERSHIP ROLES

# DEFECTIVE PRODUCTS

# Multiple BBGA Attorneys Serve in National and State-Wide Leadership Positions

Senior Firm Shareholder Henry Garrard serves as co-lead counsel for all the Transvaginal Mesh MDL mass accumulation of over 105,000 cases. He also serves on the National Executive Committee in Los Angeles, California for litigation involving talc exposure leading to ovarian cancer in women. He is co-lead counsel in the Physiomesh multi-district litigation pending in Atlanta. Additionally, he is currently appointed by the court as co-lead counsel in the consolidation of 6,000 hernia mesh cases in Massachusetts and court-appointed, co-lead counsel in Rhode Island for 10,000 cases pending against C.R. Bard.

**Firm Shareholder Drew Hill**, appointed by Governor Brian Kemp for a second term, serves on the Judicial Nominating Commission.

**Firm Shareholder Jim Matthews** is actively involved in the pelvic mesh and hernia mesh litigation. He is co-lead counsel in the C.R. Bard hernia mesh consolidated litigation in Rhode Island, was lead counsel in the Atrium C-Qur hernia mesh litigation in state court in New Hampshire and was state court liaison to the New Hampshire federal court C-Qur multi-district litigation. He had active roles during the discovery, deposition, and pre-trial stages of the Ethicon/Johnson & Johnson Physiomesh hernia mesh multi-district litigation in Atlanta (which was settled before trial) and the C.R. Bard pelvic mesh MDL in federal court in Charleston, West Virginia (which settled after a win for his client in the first bellwether trial).

**Firm Shareholder Sara Schramm** is currently appointed in the Northern District of Florida to plaintiff leadership on the 3M Combat Arms Earplug Litigation in federal multi-district litigation and she serves on the Early Vetting Subcommittee on behalf of her clients and all clients nationwide.

**Firm Shareholder Josh Wages** was appointed by the MDL Court to the Plaintiffs' Steering Committee for the multi-district litigation involving seven transvaginal mesh manufacturers – which combined are the largest medical device product liability MDL in U.S. history. Josh has also been instrumental in the firm's success at the forefront of the national litigation involving certain defective hernia mesh devices, including the Atrium C-QUR consolidated state court litigation in New Hampshire, the Ethicon Physiomesh MDL in the Northern District of Georgia, and the Covidien hernia mesh litigation which is consolidated in Massachusetts State Court.

### SELECT CASES

#### \$3,500,000

#### PRODUCT LIABILITY/AUTO

Verdict for a mother and son who were involved in a rollover vehicle crash due to the instability of a General Motors vehicle, resulting in the woman being injured and her son's death.

#### \$3,000,000

#### PRODUCT LIABILITY/AUTO

A fuel system defect in a pick-up truck caused a fire resulting in severe burns and the death of an 80-year-old lady.

#### \$2,000,000

#### PRODUCT LIABILITY/BURNS

Verdict for the family of a 2-year-old who suffered burns when their pajama top erupted into flames near a fire source. The garment did not comply with federal flammability standards.

#### \$2,000,000

#### PRODUCT LIABILITY/MEDICAL DEVICE

Verdict in the first transvaginal mesh bellwether trial in the country.

#### \$1,400,000

#### PRODUCT LIABILITY/SEATBELT

A defective seatbelt unlatched during a collision. A child was ejected from an SUV and died.



# MEDICAL MALPRACTICE

### SELECT CASES

#### **Confidential Settlement**

MEDICAL MALPRACTICE

A seven-figure settlement against a rural Georgia hospital when a surgeon injured a patient during an ear, nose, and throat (ENT) procedure.

#### **Confidential Settlement**

MEDICAL MALPRACTICE/BIRTH INJURY A confidential seven-figure settlement for a child who suffered a catastrophic brain injury due to a delay in delivering her.

#### **Confidential Settlement**

MEDICAL MALPRACTICE/HEART ATTACK A confidential 7-figure settlement against a large hospital for failure to diagnose a heart attack in a timely manner.

#### \$10,850,000

MEDICAL MALPRACTICE/ANESTHESIA A patient suffered respiratory arrest at the start of surgery and died.

#### \$9,000,000

MEDICAL MALPRACTICE/SURGERY Claims involved significant neurologic injury to a child during post-surgical care.

#### \$5,500,000

MEDICAL MALPRACTICE/ANESTHESIA A patient suffered brain damage following inadequate blood flow in the operating room.

#### \$4,000,000

MEDICAL MALPRACTICE/PARALYSIS Failure to diagnose a spinal epidural abscess, which led to the patient's guadriplegia.

#### \$3,500,000

MEDICAL MALPRACTICE/CANCER

A radiologist and mobile radiology screening company failed to properly read a chest X-Ray and note the presence of a mass in the patient's lung, which later proved to be malignant. Because of the delayed diagnosis, the patient died of lung cancer.



# **SERVING FOR NEARLY 40 YEARS**



# MEDICAL MALPRACTICE

### SELECT CASES CONTINUED ...

#### \$3,250,000

MEDICAL MALPRACTICE/STROKE

Failure to anticoagulate a patient with mechanical heart valve during elective surgical procedure.

#### \$3,230,000

#### MEDICAL MALPRACTICE/PARALYSIS

A U.S. Army Purple Heart Recipient was paralyzed due to a V.A. hospital's failure to diagnose a massive disc extrusion.

#### \$3,000,000

#### MEDICAL MALPRACTICE/SURGERY

Failure to adequately train for, prepare for, and perform minimally invasive heart surgery, resulting in vessel disruption and death.

#### \$2,900,000

#### MEDICAL MALPRACTICE/HOSPITAL

A tracheostomy tube was dislodged by a nurse and not inserted properly by a doctor. Brain damage resulted from a lack of oxygen. Settled during trial.

#### \$2,500,000

#### MEDICAL MALPRACTICE/PARALYSIS/V.A. Hospital

An honorably discharged veteran was paralyzed as a result of failure to diagnose spinal cord compression.

#### \$2,400,000

#### MEDICAL MALPRACTICE/PARALYSIS

Back surgery post-op care/paralysis. A spinal hematoma was not timely diagnosed, resulting in spinal cord damage and paralysis.

#### \$750,000

#### MEDICAL MALPRACTICE/V.A. HOSPITAL/BRAIN DAMAGE

Trial against a V.A. hospital after a surgery left the client with permanent brain damage.



# CAR & TRACTOR-TRAILER WRECKS

### SELECT CASES

#### **Confidential Settlement**

TRACTOR-TRAILER CRASH An 8-figure confidential settlement in a trucking case involving a plaintiff who suffered amputations.

#### \$3,450,000

#### TRACTOR-TRAILER CRASH

A railroad engineer was killed when a train hit a tractor-trailer that tried to beat the train across a railroad crossing.

#### \$2,750,000

#### TRACTOR-TRAILER CRASH/FALLING LOAD

Death of a driver whose car was crushed by a piece of equipment that fell from a flatbed trailer.

#### \$2,250,000

#### TRACTOR-TRAILER CRASH

Death of an 8-year-old boy when a truck crossed the centerline and hit a van headon.

#### \$1,700,000

#### TRACTOR-TRAILER CRASH

A commercial box truck owned and operated by a tire company collided with a minivan causing serious injuries to two people.

#### \$1,400,000

#### CAR CRASH

Wrongful death in a road defect case against the Georgia Department of Transportation.

# CAR & TRACTOR-TRAILER WRECKS

### SELECT CASES CONTINUED ...

**\$1,375,000** CAR CRASH Victim suffered multiple orthopedic injuries caused by a 10-year-old tire.

#### \$1,250,000

#### CAR CRASH

For the wrongful death of a man in a disputed liability car wreck where the deceased was incorrectly found to be at fault for the wreck.

#### \$1,250,000

CAR CRASH A teen suffered facial scars in a Gwinnett County car crash; \$81,000 in medical bills.

#### \$1,025,000

CAR CRASH A woman suffered serious abdominal injury requiring surgery in a conservative, rural county.

#### \$400,000

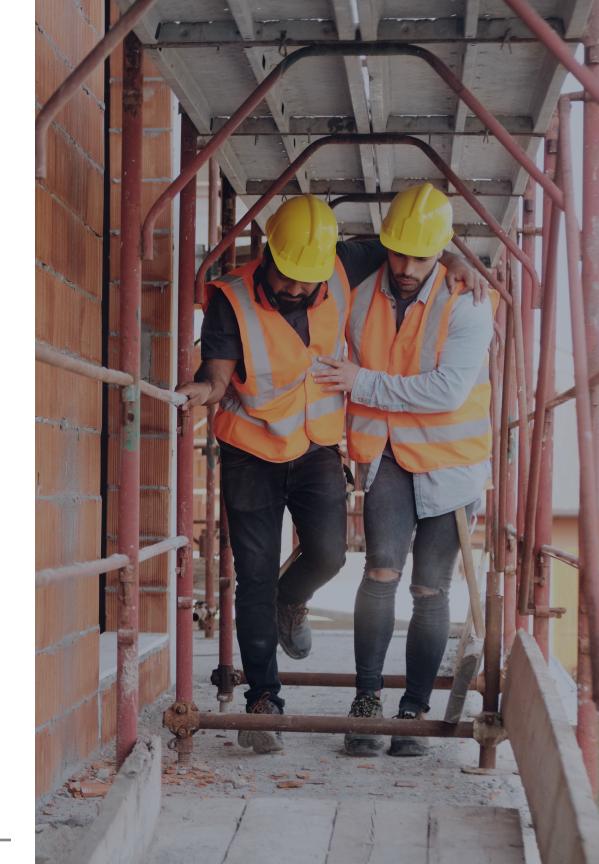
CAR CRASH Victim suffered a torn rotator cuff that required surgery.

#### \$325,000

CAR CRASH Victim suffered a broken hand in a car wreck in a conservative, rural county.

#### \$222,000

CAR CRASH A young woman suffered a scar on her leg in a car wreck; \$20,000 in medical bills.



# PERSONAL INJURY

### SELECT CASES

#### \$1,002,000

#### PERSONAL INJURY/WORK ACCIDENT

Verdict for a delivery driver who was injured while helping to unload 2,000 pound electrical switches. He suffered a "terrible triad" injury to his right arm as a result of negligence by the company he was delivering to.

#### \$850,000

#### PREMISES LIABILITY/RAPE

A rape occurred after an office building janitor was hired despite his background check showing an extensive criminal history of assaults.

#### \$850,000

#### PREMISES LIABILITY/BURNS

A disabled man suffered 2nd and 3rd-degree burns caused by a hot water heater set at dangerously high temperatures. The defendant was a local governmental housing authority in a conservative, rural county.

#### \$750,000

PERSONAL INJURY/RAILROAD A back injury case when trains collided and the engineer was injured.

#### \$500,000

#### PREMISES LIABILITY/RAPE

Verdict for a survivor. A rape occurred after an apartment complex did not warn tenants of prior crimes at the complex, despite being told to do so by police.

#### \$300,000

PERSONAL INJURY/SLIP & FALL Shoulder injury due to a slip & fall at Hartsfield-Jackson Airport.

#### \$100,000

PERSONAL INJURY/DOG BITE A delivery driver was bitten by a dog during a delivery; \$4,000 in medical bills.



There is no person, business, or organization that we'll back down from. We are experienced, relentless, resourced, and ready to help you and your clients fight for what's fair.



# NURSING HOME ABUSE & NEGLECT

### SELECT CASES

#### **Confidential Settlement**

NURSING HOME ABUSE

One of the largest 7-figure confidential settlements in Georgia against a nursing home chain for the wrongful death of a patient.

#### **Confidential Settlement**

NURSING HOME ABUSE A confidential six-figure settlement against a Georgia assisted living facility for failure to prevent a resident's fall that led to a broken hip.

#### **Confidential Settlement**

NURSING HOME ABUSE A confidential six-figure settlement against a South Georgia assisted living facility for failure to prevent a resident from choking to death.

#### **Confidential Settlement**

NURSING HOME ABUSE/NEGLIGENCE

A nursing home's negligent practices led to unacceptable conditions, dehydration, malnutrition, significant skin breakdown, stage IV decubitus ulcers, and the untimely death of a resident.

#### \$1,800,000

NURSING HOME ABUSE

A nursing home resident died after falling and hitting her head during a bed linen change.

#### \$975,000

NURSING HOME NEGLIGENCE & ABUSE The wrongful death of a patient who developed a subclavian port infection.

**\$950,000** NURSING HOME NEGLIGENCE & ABUSE The wrongful death of a patient who fell.

# NURSING HOME ABUSE & NEGLECT

### SELECT CASES CONTINUED ...

#### \$617,295

NURSING HOME NEGLIGENCE & ABUSE

Bilateral fractures of a resident's femur, which the nursing home never reported. The untreated fractures led to respiratory distress and eventually the resident's death.

#### \$600,000

NURSING HOME NEGLIGENCE & ABUSE A nursing home resident was malnourished because of neglectful practices.

#### \$500,000

NURSING HOME NEGLIGENCE & ABUSE A nursing home chain gave a young, mentally disabled person the wrong medication, which led to his death.

#### \$450,000

NURSING HOME NEGLIGENCE & ABUSE A resident fell and suffered a subdural hematoma.

#### \$380,000

NURSING HOME NEGLIGENCE & ABUSE For the family of a nursing home resident who died from a fall.

#### \$300,000

NURSING HOME NEGLIGENCE & ABUSE

Failure to prevent elopement, falls, and to notify the attending physician of a change in the condition of a resident with Alzheimer's.

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