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Steven Press represents clients in a broad range of commercial litigation, intellectual property and trade secret disputes, with significant experience in bench and jury trials in state and federal courts, as well as in arbitrations and mediations.

Steven acts as relationship manager for several publicly traded companies providing counsel on business and employment issues and handling litigation or arbitration when necessary.

For his financial institution clients, Steven handles loan workouts, litigates financial and covenant defaults, and assists as lender's counsel on transactions. Steven assists broker-dealer and investment advisor clients with interpleader actions, SEC investigation and enforcement proceedings, and defends broker-dealers and their employees when necessary. For his automotive clients, Steven handles licensing and related real estate issues, employment issues, and all litigation. Steven also is outside counsel for privately held companies and assists them with all legal needs as they arise.

Representative Matters

- Represented several Fortune 300 corporations as local litigation counsel including trials and arbitrations.
- Vacated a \$28,500,000 judgment awarded against a publicly traded company in violation of procedural due process.
- Negotiated a \$1,500,000 settlement arising from a wrongful death claim.
- Successfully litigated and settled numerous trade secret cases.
- Negotiated the sale of several family owned businesses.
- Received a \$1 million bench trial verdict on behalf of employee arising from an oral contract of employment and full judgment recovered.

Professional Honors & Activities

- Listed in *Georgia Super Lawyers* in Business Litigation (2016 – 2022)
- Selected as one of "Georgia's Legal Elite" by *Georgia Trend Magazine* (2012, 2013, 2015, 2016)
- Recipient – Baker Donelson's 2021 Atlanta Office Pro Bono Award
- Member – American Bar Association, Litigation and Business Law Sections
- Member – State Bar of Georgia, General Practice Section
- Member – Atlanta Bar Association, Litigation Section
- Member – Georgia Automobile Dealers Association
- Member – National Association of Dealer Counsel
- 2008 TIPS/ABOTA National Trial Academy

Publications

- "Restrictive Covenant Update," *Insights Law* (March-April 2011)

Education

- Emory University School of Law, J.D., 1997
- State University of New York, Binghamton, B.S., 1994



Admissions

- Georgia, 1997
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia
- Georgia Supreme Court
- Georgia Court of Appeals
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit