

# Linda A. Klein

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Linda A. Klein is senior managing shareholder at Baker Donelson and is a past president of the American Bar Association.

Ms. Klein's practice includes most types of business dispute prevention and resolution, internal investigations, contract law, professional liability, and risk and crisis management. She has worked extensively with clients in the construction, higher education, including medical and law schools, and automotive industries.

Ms. Klein is also listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*<sup>®</sup>, *Who's Who in America* and *Chambers USA*. *Best Lawyers in America*<sup>®</sup> recently recognized Ms. Klein as Atlanta's "Lawyer of the Year" in Arbitration. She is regularly named to the *Super Lawyers* top 100 lawyers in Georgia and is also regularly named one of the top 50 female lawyers in Georgia by *Super Lawyers*. In 2018, she was chosen "Attorney of the Year" by the *Daily Report*. In 1998, following her term as the first woman to serve as president of the State Bar of Georgia, *Georgia Trend Magazine* named her one of the 100 most powerful and influential Georgians.

Ms. Klein is a past president for the American Bar Association (ABA), the world's largest voluntary professional association. She previously served as chair of the ABA's House of Delegates, the association's policy making body. She has also served as chair of the Tort Trial and Insurance Practice Section, chair of the Committee on Rules and Calendar of the House of Delegates, chair of the Coalition for Justice, and chair of ABA Day, the Association's Congressional outreach effort. She is a recent member of the Council of the ABA Section of International Law and also served as a columnist and on the Board of Editors of *Law Practice Management Magazine*. In 2013 Ms. Klein had the honor of being a McGlothlin fellow on the campuses of William and Mary's Business and Law Schools. She delivered the commencement addresses at Atlanta's John Marshall College of Law (2018), Georgia State University College of Law (2017), Cleveland-Marshall College of Law (2017), Pepperdine University School of Law (2016), and Washington and Lee University School of Law (2012). In 2009 Ms. Klein was honored with the Randolph Thrower Award for Lifetime Achievement and was named to the YWCA Academy of Women Achievers. In 2004 the American Bar Association honored Ms. Klein with the prestigious Margaret Brent Achievement Award.

President Jimmy Carter appointed Ms. Klein to The Carter Center Board of Councilors for an initial term of 2019 – 2022 term, and she still serves. She also currently serves on the Boards of Directors of the Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce and the Presidential Precinct, and executive committee of the Buckhead Coalition, and on the advisory board of *Super Lawyers*. She is a past president of Southface Energy Institute, the Board of Directors' Network, the Caucus of State Bars, and past chair of both the Institute for Continuing Legal Education in Georgia and the Lawyers Foundation of Georgia. She also served a six-year term on Baker Donelson's Board of Directors.

Ms. Klein has authored numerous published works. Her lecture schedule has included presentations in France, Poland, Sweden, Spain, Russia, Croatia, Japan, Great Britain and Canada, but most extensively in the southeast United States. She is a member of the American College of Construction Lawyers and the American Law Institute. She is a mediator and arbitrator, frequently serving as a neutral as well as a client advocate.

# Professional Honors & Activities

**Recent Awards** 

- Named to *GaBiz* magazine's 2025 list of Top Lawyers
- Named to *Atlanta Magazine*'s "The Atlanta 500 Our City's Most Powerful Leaders" (2019 2025)
- Included in Thomson Reuters' Stand-out Lawyers database based on independent nominations from senior in-house counsel (2024 – 2025)
- Recipient of the Anti-Defamation League Southeast Region 2020 Elbert P. Tuttle Jurisprudence Award (2020)
- Listed in The International Who's Who of Construction Lawyers (2019, 2020, 2024)
- Named one of the "100 Women Who Inspire Us" by the American Bar Association (2019)
- Awarded a Doctorate of Laws, honoris causa, Atlanta's John Marshall Law School (2018)
- Recipient of the *Daily Report*'s Attorney of the Year Award (2018)
- Recipient of the Georgia Association of Black Women Attorneys 2018 Zenith Award for Distinction in the Profession
- Recipient of the State Bar of Georgia's Marshall-Tuttle Award for service to veterans (2018)
- Named honorary co-counsel for The Veterans Consortium's milestone 5,000th appellate case before the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims in recognition of National Military Appreciation Month (2017)
- Recipient of the National Association of Women Judges Florence K. Murray Award (2017)
- Recipient of the Lewis Donelson Award (2017)
- Awarded a Doctorate of Laws, honoris causa, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law (2017)
- Awarded a Doctorate of Laws, honoris causa, Pepperdine University School of Law (2016)
- Recipient of the Georgia State Senate Resolution 380 (2017)
- Recipient of the Georgia Asian Pacific American Bar Association's first Women's Leadership Award (2017)
- Named to the *Lawdragon* 500 Leading Lawyers in America (2017)
- Named to the National Academy of Distinguished Neutrals (2016)
- Recipient of the State Bar of Georgia's "Distinguished Service Award" (2015)
- Recipient of the *Daily Report's* First "Lifetime Achievement Award" (2015)
- Recipient of the Susan E. Rich Women's Initiative Award (2015)
- Recognized as one of Atlanta's "Top 20 Women in Business" by the *Atlanta Business Chronicle* (2014)
- Named by Georgia Trend magazine in 2010, 2011, 2013, 2014 as one of Georgia's Legal Elite
- Named to Profiles in Diversity's 2013 Women Worth Watching
- Named a "Champion for Justice" by the Georgia Legal Services Program (2013)
- Recipient of the State Bar of Georgia's Chief Justice Thomas O. Marshall Professionalism Award (2010 – 2011)
- Recipient of the inaugural "Fastcase 50" award (2011)
- Fellows of the American Bar Association Outstanding State Chair Award (2010)
- Named to *Lawdragon* 3000 (2010)
- YWCA Women of Achievement Award (saluting women who embody the YWCA's mission of empowering women and eliminating racism), (2009)
- State Bar of Georgia Randolph W. Thrower Commitment to Equality Award (2009)
- Listed in *Chambers USA* as a leading Construction and Commercial Litigation lawyer in Georgia since 2009
- Selected to *Georgia Super Lawyers* since 2004; listed among the top 100 attorneys in Georgia; listed among the top 50 female attorneys in Georgia
- Listed since 2006 in *The Best Lawyers in America<sup>®</sup>* for Arbitration and Mediation since 2011; Insurance Law since 2012; Litigation - Construction since 2013; Commercial Litigation and Construction Law since 2015
- Named the Best Lawyers<sup>®</sup> 2022 Arbitration "Lawyer of the Year" in Atlanta
- ABA/TIPS Pro Bono Honor Roll (2005)

- Recipient of the Margaret Brent Women Lawyers of Achievement Award (2004)
- First recipient of Atlanta Bar Association's Outstanding Woman in the Profession Achievement Award (2001)
- Atlanta magazine's Woman Making a Mark (2001)
- Sol H. Clark Pro Bono Award (1999)
- Georgia Association for Women Lawyers Woman Lawyer of Achievement Award (1999)
- Partnership Against Domestic Violence Award (1998)
- Georgia Minority/Elected and Appointed Officials Naomi Henson Humanitarian Award (1998)

#### **ABA-Related Activities**

- President (2016 2017)
- President-Elect (2015 2016)
- Special Advisor, Standing Committee on Membership (2013 2015)
- ABA Board of Governors (2012 2018)
  - Special Advisor ABA Program, Evaluation & Planning Committee
- Council Member, Section of International Law (2012 2015)
- Chair ABA Law, Society and the Judiciary Task Force
- Chair ABA Day (2012 2014)
- Member and Subcommittee Co-Chair Magna Carta 2015 Committee (2012 2015)
- Co-Chair Section of Litigation, ABA Resource Committee (2012 2015)
- Member ABA International Operations Task Force (2012 2014)
- Columnist "Taking the Lead," *Law Practice Management Magazine* (2012 2015, 2017 present)
- Women Rainmakers Committee, Law Practice Management Section (2013)
- Editorial Board, Law Practice Management Magazine (2012 2014)
- Diversity & Inclusion Committee, Law Practice Management Section (2012 2015)
- Chair of the House of Delegates (2010 2012)
- Chair of the Committee on Rules & Calendar of the House of Delegates (2006 2008)
- Chair of the Coalition for Justice (2006 2010)
- Select Committee of the House of Delegates (2004 2006)
- Standing Committee on State and Local Bar Activities (2001 2004)
- Standing Committee on the Delivery of Legal Services (2000 2001)
- Standing Committee on Publication Oversight (2004 2010)
- The Commission on the American Judiciary (2005)

#### Section of Tort & Insurance Practice (TIPS)

- Section Chair (2003 2004)
- Section Chair-elect (2001); Vice Chair (2003)
- Council Member (1998 2005)
- Chair Trial Techniques Committee (1991 1992); Chair-elect (1990 1991); Newsletter Editor (1988 – 1990)
- Chair Task Force Outreach to State & Local Bar Associations (1998 2001)
- Chair Annual Meeting Program Committee (1996 1997)
- ABA/TIPS Committee (2002 2005); Chair-elect (2005 2006)
- Diversity Committee (2005 2007)
- Financial Committee (1998 2000)
- Membership Committee (2000 2001)
- Long Range Planning Committee (1993 1996, 2001 2002) Committee Chair (2001 2002); Chair, Subcommittee on Publications (1995 – 1996); Chair, Subcommittee on Empowerment and Governance (1994 – 1995); Chair, Subcommittee on Section Name (1993 – 1994)
- CLE Board (1996 1997)
- Communications Coordinating Group (1995 1997)
- Professionalism Committee (1996 1998)

- Vice Chair Fidelity & Surety Committee; Co-Chair, Membership Division (1993 1994); Chair, Legislative Division (1994 – 1995)
- Membership Involvement Committee (1992 1993)
- Forum on the Construction Industry
- Labor & Employment Law Section

#### **National Conference of Bar Presidents**

- Program Committee (2012 2015)
- Executive Council (1998 2001)
- Nominating Committee (2002, 2003)
- Chair Sponsorship Committee (1997 2000)
- Chair Emerging Issues Committee (2000-2001, premier year for this committee)
- Producer "One Minute to Midnight, Dealing with Crisis in Your Bar Association" (2000)
- Producer "Multidisciplinary Practice and Legal Services to the Poor" (2000)
- Producer "Raising Your Bar," Atlanta (1999)
- Presenter "How to Make Your Annual Meeting a Hit," San Antonio (January 1997)

#### Section Officers' Conference

- Chair Class of American Bar Association Section Vice Chairs (2001 2002)
- Chair Class of American Bar Association Section Chair-elects (2002 2003)
- Chair Annual Section Officers' Conference Programming (2003)
- Speaker Section Officers' Conference Meeting (2004)

#### State Government-Related Activities

- Vice Chair Georgia Supreme Court Commission on Equality (1998 2004)
- Member Georgia Superior Court Clerks Co-operative Authority (2002 2005)
- Blue Ribbon Commission on the Judiciary (1999 2001)
- Judicial Council Committee to Distribute Domestic Violence Funding (1998 present)
- Treasurer Law Related Education Consortium (1999 2001); Executive Committee
- Board of Directors Institute for Continuing Judicial Education (1998 1999)
- Judicial Nominating Commission, State of Georgia (1997 1998)
- Judicial Qualifications Commission, Committee to Study Canon 7, Judicial Campaigns (1997)
- Committee to Advise Sen. Cleland on Judicial Vacancy in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Georgia, (1997 1999)
- Chief Justice's Commission on Professionalism (1997 1999)
- Ex-Officio, Council of Superior Court Judges, Committee on Uniform Rules (1990 1997)
- Commission on Alternative Dispute Resolution (1997 1998)

#### State Bar-Related Activities

- President State Bar of Georgia (June 1997 June 1998); Immediate Past President (June 1998 June 1999)
- President-elect State Bar of Georgia (June 1996 June 1997); Secretary (June 1994 June 1996)
- Member Seeking Equal Justice and Addressing Racism & Racial Bias Committee of the State Bar of Georgia
- Special Committee on the Unified Bar (2018 present)
- Chair Board of Trustees, Georgia Institute for Continuing Legal Education (1998 1999); Board Member (1994 – 2000);
- Vice Chair Equality Commission (2000 2005)
- Chair Task Force on Multidisciplinary Practice (1999 2001)
- Chair State Bar of Georgia Uniform Rules Committee (1992 1996)
- Board of Trustees Georgia Bar Foundation (1996 1998, 2005 present)
- Chair, Lawyers' Foundation of Georgia (2005 2007), Board of Directors and Vice Chair (1998 2005)
- Board of Directors Georgia Access to Justice Project (1998 1999)

- Co-Chair Statewide Judicial Evaluation Committee (1994 1997)
- Chair Personnel Committee (1992 1997)
- Chair Program Committee (1995 1997)
- Vice Chair State Bar of Georgia Professional Liability Committee (1988 1994)
- Advisory Committee on Legislation, State Bar of Georgia (1994 1999)
- Bench & Bar Committee, Fifth Judicial District, Atlanta (1990 1996)
- General Counsel Overview Committee (1994 1997)
- Law Practice Management Advisory Committee (1994 1997)
- Evidence Code Revision Committee (1988 1994)
- Post-Conviction Study Committee (1991 1997)
- Budget Committee (1994 1997)
- Bar Center Committee (purchase of the Federal Reserve Building for a Bar Center), (1996)

#### Caucus of State Bar Associations

- President (2001 2002); Executive Committee (1998 2005); President-Elect (2001)
- Delegate (1998 present)
- Southern Conference of Bar Presidents (1996 present)

#### **Community Activities**

- Board of Directors Presidential Precinct
- Board of Directors and Executive Committee Buckhead Coalition (Vice Chair, 2019 present)
- Board of Directors Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce (2018 present)
- Board of Councilors The Carter Center (appointed by President Jimmy Carter) (2019 2022)
- Board of Directors The Warrior Alliance (TWA)
- Co-chair Friends Committee of the National Association of Women Judges Mid-Year Meeting and Southeastern Leadership Conference (2009)
- Board of Directors Brain Injury Association of Georgia (1998 2003); Executive Committee (2000 2001); Chair, Public Affairs Cabinet (2000 2001); Chair, Legislative Committee (1998 1999); Chair, Special Committee on Legislation (1993 1998)
- Board of Directors Southface Energy Institute (Not-for-profit organization that promotes sustainable development) (1994 2016); Chair, Board Development Committee (1999 2015); Chair, Legal Committee (1994 2000)
- Board of Directors Board of Directors Network (Not for profit organization with a mission to diversify corporate boards of directors), President (2001); Board of Directors (1998 present); Chair, Women of Color in Corporate Governance Program (2001); Chair, Program Committee (2002); Moderator, Women Presidents Forum (2000); Co-chair, Membership Division (1999)
- Board of Directors and Secretary Neighbor to Family, Inc. (2005 2016)
- Women's Forum of Georgia (local affiliate of the International Women's Forum), (1999 present); Board of Directors (2005 – 2009)
- Atlanta Women's Alliance (2000 2001); (non-profit) Women Presidents and Board Chairs
- Scholarship Fundraising Committee Cool Girls (2003 2004)
- Leadership Georgia, Class of 1997; Leadership Georgia Foundation (1997 present)
- Leadership Atlanta, Class of 2000; Leadership Atlanta Foundation (2000 present)
- Co-chair National Association of Women Judges, Local Friends Committee (1996)

#### Local Bar-Related Activities

- Atlanta Legal Aid Society Campaign Chair (2004)
- Atlanta Bar Association Board of Directors, Atlanta Council of Younger Lawyers (1985 1989); Chair, Commission on Uniform Rules of Court (1985 – 1989)
- Georgia Association for Women Lawyers
- Charter Member, National Asian Pacific American Bar Association, Georgia Chapter
- Gate City Bar
- Georgia Association of Black Women Attorneys

#### **Other Law-Related Activities**

- Member American Arbitration Association
  - The International Centre for Dispute Resolution Council
  - Panel of Arbitrators (Commercial and Construction Panels; Certified Mediator)
- Board of Directors The Burton Awards (2018 present)
- Legal Services Corporation's Leaders Council
- Best Lawyers Advisory Board (2011 2018)
- Eleventh Circuit Judicial Conference Conference Planning Committee (1999)
- Life Fellow American Bar Foundation
- Fellow American College of Construction Lawyers
- American Law Institute Elected Member (2002 current); Program Committee, ALI-ABA (2006 2008)
- College of Law Practice Management (2005 current); Board of Trustees (2012 2016)
- Founding Member The Georgia Academy of Mediators & Arbitrators

### Publications

#### **Bar Associations**

- Co-author "Addressing Technology Innovations with Reluctant Attorneys," Law Practice Magazine (March/April 2025)
- Chair "Report of the Task Force on Law, Society and the Judiciary," American Bar Association (August 2023)
- "Taking the Lead: Yes, Another Reminder About Data Privacy and Security Issues," *Law Practice Magazine* (May/June 2023)
- Featured "Embracing Change in ADR: A Conversation with ABA Past President Linda Klein," *ABA Resolutions* Podcast (January 2021)
- "Linda A. Klein Featured in ABA Video Commemorating 19th Amendment Anniversary," *Women's Initiative Newsletter* (December 2020)
- "Standing Up for Our Principles is all Part of a Year's Work," President's Message, *ABA Journal* (August 2017)
- "Lawyers Demonstrate Patriotism Through Helping Others and Expanding Access to Justice," President's Message, *ABA Journal* (July 2017)
- "14th Amendment Should be Used to Ensure Equal Protection for Those with Disabilities," *ABA Journal* (June 2017)
- "Independent Courts are Vital to Democracy," President's Message, ABA Journal (June 2017)
- Featured "ABA President Klein Advocates for Veterans, Defends Rule of Law," *ABA Journal* (June 2017)
- "A Free Press is Necessary for a Strong Democracy," President's Message, *ABA Journal* (May 2017)
- "The Importance of Law Day: As Lawyers, Let's Share Our Passion for Constitutional Democracy," President's Message, ABA Journal (April 2017)
- "The Power of Persuasion: ABA Day Amplifies Collective Voice for Lawyers in Washington," President's Message, ABA Journal (March 2017)
- "ABA Will Protect the Rule of Law," *Miami Herald* (February 2017)
- "One Word: Civility," President's Message, ABA Journal (February 2017)
- "New Year, Bright Future: The ABA Improves the Legal Profession and Serves its Members," President's Message, *ABA Journal* (January 2017)
- "Blueprint for Success for Your Practice," President's Message, *ABA Journal* (December 2016)
- "Veterans Day Offers Lawyers Opportunity to Aid Those Who Protect our Rights and Freedoms," President's Message, ABA Journal (November 2016)
- "The Power of the Ballot: Lawyers Need to be at the Forefront in Encouraging all Citizens to Vote," President's Message, *ABA Journal* (October 2016)

- "Finding the Better Way: Focus for the year will highlight ABA members, veterans, voting, education," President's Message, *ABA Journal* (September 2016)
- Featured "An Interview with Linda Klein, Chair of the ABA's House of Delegates ," Library of Congress blog (April 2013)

#### General

- Co-author "Protecting Against the Impact of 2025 Tariffs on Construction Costs" (March 2025)
- Co-author "Investing in Your Team," *Law Practice Magazine* (January 2025)
- "Linda Klein: The Secrets to My Success," *Women's Initiative Newsletter* (October 2022)
- Co-author "Significant Changes to Georgia Lien Law on January 1: Are You Prepared?," republished in NASBP (December 2020)
- Co-author "Leadership: How Justice Ginsburg Inspires Us to Lead," *Women's Initiative Newsletter* (October 2020)
- Co-author "Taking the Lead: Relationships An Easier Model for Employee Engagement," *Law Practice Magazine* (September/October 2020)
- Co-author "Taking the Lead: Leadership Does Not Take a Snow Day," *Law Practice Magazine* (July/August 2020)
- Co-author "Taking the Lead: Embracing Two Right Ways," *Law Practice Magazine* (May/June 2020)
- Co-author/Co-editor "Taking the Lead: Firm Leadership Is a Team Task," *Law Practice Magazine* (March/April 2020)
- Co-author "Taking the Lead: Developing Legal Solutions Through Inside-Outside Collaboration," *Law Practice Magazine* (January/February 2020)
- "The Rule of Law and the Fundamental Role of Lawyers," 79 *Studia luridica* (University of Warsaw, Poland Law Review) 9 (2019)
- Co-author "Taking the Lead: Are You Touching the Entire Elephant?," *Law Practice Magazine* (November/December 2019)
- Co-author "Taking the Lead: The Power of Difficult Conversations," *Law Practice Magazine* (September/October 2019)
- Co-author "Taking the Lead: Getting a Handle on Rule Beating," *Law Practice Magazine* (July/August 2019)
- Co-author "Taking the Lead: Better Decision Making Through Systems Thinking," *Law Practice Magazine* (May/June 2019)
- Co-author "Sacrificing for the Greater Good," *Law Practice Magazine* (March/April 2019)
- Co-author "Advancing Business Development Skills in Law Firms," *Law Practice Magazine* (January/February 2019)
- "Celebrate Veterans By Improving Their Access To Justice," *Law360* (November 2018)
- Co-author "Practice Management Advice: The Reverse Sponsor," *Law Practice Magazine* (November 2018)
- Co-author "Practice Management Advice: Making Clear a Culture of Transparency," *Law Practice Magazine* (September 2018)
- Co-author "Rethinking Office Space to Boost the Bottom Line," *Law Practice Magazine* (July/August 2018)
- "For College Grads, the Price of Public Service Shouldn't be Huge Debt," *Inside Sources* (August 2017)
- Featured "Grit, The Secret to Advancement: Stories of Successful Women Lawyers," American Bar Association, Chapter 3, Linda A. Klein (July 2017)
- "Title IX's Influence Goes Beyond What it Does for Women Athletes," *The Herald and News* (July 2017)
- Co-author "Don't Turn Our Backs on Justice for All," with Walter F. Mondale, *Minneapolis Star Tribune* (July 2017)

- "After 45 Years, Title IX Protections Still Needed," *Las Vegas Sun* (June 2017)
- "After 45 Years, Title IX Still Needed ," *Philadelphia Enquirer* (June 2017)
- "Celebrating 45 Years of Title IX," *New York Newsday* (June 2017)
- Co-author "Klein, Williams: Cuts threaten to slam courthouse door on West Virginians," *Charleston Gazette-Mail* (May 2017)
- Co-author "Legal Lifeline to Low-Income People in Peril," *The Clarion-Ledger* (May 2017)
- Guest Columnist "The Importance of Law Day and the 14th Amendment," *New Jersey Law Journal* (May 2017)
- "Linda Klein: Why Law Gets a Day to Itself," Savannah Morning News (April 2017)
- "The Constitution America's Greatest Creation," *InsideSources* (April 2017)
- "Budget Cuts Threaten to Slam the Courthouse Door on Many Alabama Residents," *AL.com* (April 2017)
- "Funding Legal Services Corp. Vital as Need Grows," *SunSentinel* (March 2017)
- "U.S. Veterans Answered the Call, Now it's Our Turn," *The Houston Chronicle, The Orange Leader, Wilson County News*, co-authored with Texas Supreme Court Chief Justice Nathan Hecht (November 2016)
- "Giving Away the Gold (Stars, That Is)," *Law Practice Magazine*, Volume 41 Number 2 (March/April 2015)
- Featured "A Conversation With Our Women Leaders," *Attorney at Law Magazine*, Metro Atlanta Edition, Volume 3, Issue 3 (2015)
- Featured "ABA Law Practice Division: Linda Klein on Female Leadership in the Legal World ," Legal Talk Network (November 2014)
- "Professional Development: Now More Than Ever," Law Practice Magazine, Volume 40 Number 6 (November/December 2014)
- "In Emergencies the Little Things Aren't So Little," *Law Practice Magazine*, Volume 40 Number 40 (July/August 2014)
- "Embedding Diversity and Inclusion Within Firms," *Law Practice Magazine*, Volume 40 Number 2 (March/April 2014)
- Featured "Female Powerbrokers Q&A: Baker Donelson's Linda Klein," *Law360* (February 2014)
- "Involving Your Staff: Pro Bono is More Than Just Doing Good ," *Law Practice Magazine*, Volume 39 Number 2 (March/April 2013)
- Cover Story "Attorney of the Month," Attorney at Law Magazine, Metro Atlanta edition, Volume 2, No. 1 (2013)
- Featured "First and No Longer Counting: Linda Klein is Exemplary; Back in the Day, She Knew She Had to Be ," *Georgia Super Lawyers* (2012)
- "Taking the Lead: Having a Winning Reputation with Engaged Employees," *Law Practice Magazine*, Volume 37 Number 3 (May/June 2011)
- "Negotiation Strategies for Handling Disputes in Construction," Inside the Minds: Negotiating Construction Law Disputes, *Thomas Reuters/Aspatore* (2008)

# Speaking Engagements

- "Impact, Challenges Faced by Women Leaders and Work/Life Balance," Georgia Association for Women Lawyers (GAWL) "Leader Within" CLE (February 2025)
- "Peace Keeping and Conflict Resolution," AtIAS November Plenary Meeting (November 2024)
- "The Law Firm AI Revolution: What Clients Need to Know," Mitratech AdvanceLaw Innovative Law Firm Spotlight Series (October 2024)
- "The Leadership Crucible Podcast" (February 2024)
- "Disrupting the Norm: Linda Klein's Trailblazing of the ABA," The Lawfully Employed Podcast with Chere Estrin (December 2023)

- Presenter "Supreme Court of Georgia Portrait Presentation for Former Chief Justice Carol W. Hunstein" (June 2022)
- "Linda Klein on Leading with Passion and Growing by Solving Problems," Real Relationships Real Revenue with Mo Bunnell Podcast (May 2022)
- "Going Back In Time, What Linda Klein Would Say To Her Younger Self," Real Relationships Real Revenue with Mo Bunnell Podcast (May 2022)
- "The Business Development Story That Changed Everything for Linda Klein," Real Relationships Real Revenue with Mo Bunnell Podcast (May 2022)
- "Linda Klein's Favorite Business Development Strategy," Real Relationships Real Revenue with Mo Bunnell Podcast (May 2022)
- "Linda Klein on Growth Time To Get Great At Business Development," Real Relationships Real Revenue with Mo Bunnell Podcast (May 2022)
- Panelist "Building Trust Post-Covid," Horasis Extraordinary Meeting (October 2020)
- Panelist "An Afternoon of Good Trouble," Anti-Defamation League Speaking Out in the South webinar series (August 2020)
- Moderator and Speaker "Celebrating the Impact of Senator Birch Bayh: A Lasting Legacy on the Constitution and Beyond," Fordham University School of Law (October 2019)
- Panelist "Playbook for Success," PINK's Spring Empowerment Luncheon (May 2019)
- "Access to Justice," Buckhead Rotary Club (March 2019)
- Keynote Speaker "Empower Her: Legal Services Edition," Women Veterans Leadership and Diversity Conference (November 2018)
- Commencement Address Atlanta's John Marshall Law School (2018)
- "The Rule of Law and the Fundamental Role of Lawyers," Poland U.S. Conference on the Rule of Law, the Center for American Law Studies at the University of Warsaw's Faculty of Law and Administration (June 2018)
- Panelist "Guidelines and Best Practices Addressing Chronic Failure to Diversify Leadership Positions in the Practice of Law," Duke Law Judicial Studies Center Distinguished Lawyers (June 2018)
- "Lawyers Preventing Truancy Means Lawyers are Stopping Crime," Truancy Intervention Project 2018 Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon, Atlanta, Georgia (April 2018)
- "Access to Justice," College of Law Practice Management Futures Conference (October 2017)
- "The Importance of Judicial Independence," National Association of Women Judges 39th Annual Conference, Atlanta, Georgia (October 2017)
- Moderator "Continuity in the Presidency: Gaps and Solutions, Building on the Legacy of the 25th Amendment," Fordham University School of Law (September 2017)
- Panelist "Responding to the Growing Global Refugee Crisis: The Rule of Law for All?," World Justice Forum at The Hague (July 2017)
- "The Gamble of Public Service Loan Forgiveness," Legal Talk Network (June 2017)
- "The Justice Gap: Measuring the Unmet Civil Legal Needs of Low-Income Americans," Legal Services Corporation (June 2017)
- Speaker American Law Institute Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C. (May 2017)
- Panelist Bipartisan Policy Center's 25th Amendment Spring Program (May 2017)
- Commencement Address Cleveland State University Cleveland Marshall College of Law (May 2017)
- Commencement Address 2017 Georgia State University College of Law Commencement and Hooding Ceremony (May 2017)
- Keynote Speaker Women's Power Summit on Law and Leadership, Center for Women in Law at the University of Texas School of Law (April 2017)
- "Increasing Access to Justice," Legal Services Corporation Forum, Georgetown Law School (April 2017)

- Introductory Remarks MetLife Diverse Leadership Pipeline Workshop & Luncheon (April 2017)
- "The Future of Law Practice and Legal Services," Kentucky Supreme Court Commission (April 2017)
- "Will Budget Cuts to the Legal Services Corporation Diminish Access To Justice?," Legal Talk Network (March 2017)
- Speaker Jacobus tenBroek Disability Law Symposium, National Federation of the Blind (March 2017)
- Introductory Remarks Southern Bankruptcy Law Institute (March 2017)
- Speaker Idaho Women Lawyers Biennial Gala (March 2017)
- Speaker Conference of Chief Justices Midyear Meeting (January 2017)
- "Broken Promises and Public Service Loan Forgiveness," Legal Talk Network (January 2017)
- Speaker Georgia Legal Services Annual Pro Bono Luncheon, Savannah, Georgia (January 2017)
- Closing Remarks A Conference on Implicit (Unconscious) Bias: A New Look at an Old Problem, University of Memphis School of Law (November 2016)
- Speaker Georgia Lawyers for Equal Justice (October 2016)
- Featured Speaker Women in Leadership Is the Glass Ceiling About to Shatter?, The American Chamber of Commerce in Japan (October 2016)
- Speaker University of Wyoming School of Law (September 2016)
- "Summit on Creating a National Legal Referral Network for Servicemembers, Veterans, Their Families, Caregivers and Survivors," Military and Veterans Legal Services Network Summit, Washington, D.C. (June 2016)
- "How Technology Has, and Will, Impact the Practice of Law," the digital edge, Legal Talk Network (May 2016)
- Keynote Speaker *Best Lawyers in America*, Advisory Board Meeting (May 2016)
- Keynote Speaker "The Volunteer Lawyer Program," Boston, Massachusetts (April 2016)
- Panelist "Off Ramps, On Ramps and Slow Lanes," the Daily Report's "Women in Law: Making Rain, Climbing the Ladder and Forging Your Path" CLE, Atlanta, Georgia (September 2015)
- Panel Moderator "Creating Leaders for the 21st Century," Diversity Symposium, San Francisco, California (October 30-31, 2014)
- "Women in Law Delivering the Agenda for Change ," International Legal Forum, Saint Petersburg, Russia (May 2013)
- "Criminal Matters and Allegations of Crimes in International Arbitration," International Legal Forum, Saint Petersburg, Russia (May 2013)
- Commencement Address Washington & Lee Law School (May 2012)
- "Changes to the AIA Documents in Affordable Housing," American Bar Association Forum on Affordable Housing (May 2008)
- "The 2007 AIA Documents: New Forms, New Issues, New Strategies," American Bar Association Forum on the Construction Industry (2008)
- "Legal Issues for Professional Engineers," Seminar, Atlanta, Georgia (August 2005)
- "Analysis of a Design Problem: What to Do," Design Professional Group, Atlanta (March 2005)
- "To Build a Better Subcontract," AGC, Atlanta, Georgia (March 2003)

#### **Bar Associations**

- "What is the Damage? The Evolution of Business Litigation Damages in a Post-Pandemic World," ABA Tort Trial and Insurance Practice Section (March 2022)
- Panelist "Women in Construction, Professionalism Considerations," State Bar of Georgia Construction Law Section (February 2021)
- Speaker State Bar of Georgia Virtual Annual Meeting (June 2020)
- Panelist "Where does the Construction Industry Stand: A Candid Conversation with Industry Leaders about Inclusion, Diversity, & Professionalism," American Bar Association Forum on Construction Law Fall Meeting (October 2019)

- "Growing your Bar Association and Serving Your Community," Dunwoody Bar Association (September 2018)
- Keynote Speaker "Achieving Equality in Business and the Legal Profession," Memphis Bar Association, University of Memphis Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law (August 2018)
- "Using Technology to Bring Better Access to Justice," ABA 2018 Paris Sessions, Paris, France (June 2018)
- "Veterans Initiatives for Metro Bars," National Conference of Bar Presidents (February 2018)
- "Working Together, Bringing Justice to Veterans," North Carolina Bar Association's Veterans Continuing Education and Awards program (November 2017)
- "Legal Assistance for Veterans," New Jersey State Bar Association Military Law and Veterans Affairs Section Symposium (October 2017)
- Speaker American Bar Association Law Practice Division Meeting (October 2017)
- Keynote Speaker Hispanic National Bar Association (HNBA) Latina Commission Program, HNBA Annual Meeting (September 2017)
- "ABA Annual Meeting 2017: Linda Klein on Her Tenure as ABA President," Legal Talk Network (August 2017)
- "ABA president shares a sneak peek into ABA Annual Meeting in NYC," Legal Talk Network (July 2017)
- Panelist "Engaging Allies: A Panel Discussion With Bar Leaders on How to Effectively Collaborate with Partner Organizations to Engender Meaningful Change," Collaborative Bar Leadership Academy, Minneapolis, Minnesota (June 2017)
- "How We Work Together," Collaborative Bar Leadership Academy, Minneapolis, Minnesota (June 2017)
- Keynote Speaker Indiana State Bar Association Solo and Small Firm Conference (June 2017)
- Introductory Remarks "The Importance of an Independent Judiciary and a Free Press," Louisville Bar Association CLE seminar (June 2017)
- Panelist "Boost Your Bottom Line: Why Retaining and Promoting Minority Talent is Good Business," Georgia Asian Pacific American Bar Association Rainmakers Forum (May 2017)
- "American Bar Association's Sustainability Work," American Bar Association's Section of Environment, Energy and Resources second annual Sustainability Investment Leadership Conference, New York (May 2017)
- ABA TECHSHOW 2017, Chicago, Illinois (April 2017)
- Speaker American Bar Association Business Law Section Spring Council Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana (April 2017)
- Speaker Bar Leadership Institute (March 2017)
- "ABA TECHSHOW 2017: Women Are Powerful in Legal Technology," Legal Talk Network (March 2017)
- Keynote Speaker American Bar Association Tech Show (March 2017)
- Speaker Croation Bar Association (March 2017)
- Keynote Address, House of Delegates, American Bar Association Midyear Meeting (February 2017)
- Keynote Speaker Address to the ABA House of Delegates, Miami, Florida (February 2017)
- "ABA Midyear Meeting 2017: Updates from ABA President Linda Klein," Legal Talk Network (February 2017)
- "The ABA's Newest Project: Blueprint," Legal Talk Network (January 2017)
- Opening Remarks American Bar Association Section of Litigation Professional Success Summit, Atlanta, Georgia (November 2016)
- Speaker American Bar Association's Section of International Law Paris City Chapter (November 2016)
- Opening Remarks American Bar Association Standing Committee on Law and National Security 26th Annual Review of the Field of National Security Law, Washington, D.C. (November 2016)

- Speaker ABA Litigation Leadership Fall Meeting (October 2016)
- Speaker National Asian Pacific American Bar Association Annual Convention, San Diego, California (October 2016)
- Keynote Speaker Hawaii State Bar Association Annual Meeting (October 2016)
- Speaker American Bar Association Section of International Law Fall Meeting, Tokyo, Japan (October 2016)
- Opening Remarks and Q&A American Bar Association Section Officers Conference Fall Leadership Meeting, Chicago, Illinois (October 2016)
- Keynote Speaker Wyoming State Bar's annual luncheon (September 2016)
- Panelist "Effectively Representing the Veteran Client: Legal and Cultural Basics," American Bar Association webinar (August 2016)
- "ABA Annual Meeting 2016: President Linda Klein's Year To Come," Legal Talk Network (August 2016)
- "The American Bar Association: A Look Ahead Under New President, Linda Klein," Lawyer 2 Lawyer, Legal Talk Network (July 2016)
- "ABA President-elect Linda Klein: We are the gold standard for the profession," American Bar Association video (August 2015)
- Keynote Speaker "Lawyers Working Together Make the Profession Strong," Atlanta Bar Association luncheon (February 2015)
- "President-elect Nominee Linda Klein Addresses House of Delegates," American Bar Association (February 2015)
- "ABA Law Practice Division: Linda Klein on Female Leadership in the Legal World," On the Road, Legal Talk Network (November 2014)
- "ABA Members Encouraged to Converge on Capitol Hill on Behalf of the Profession," ABA Video (January 2013)
- "Concluding Remarks to the ABA House of Delegates," ABA Video (August 2012)
- "Linda Klein Explains the Work of the ABA House of Delegates," Part 2, ABA Video (August 2012)
- "Linda Klein Explains the Work of the ABA House of Delegates," Part 1, ABA Video (August 2012)
- Featured "Chair of ABA Policy-Making Body Describes Work of Profession's 'Best and Brightest'," ABA video (August 2011)

#### **Dispute Resolution Topics**

- "Mediator Insights: What You Should Know (and What Your Mediator Needs to Know) to Improve the Mediation Process," ABA Section of Litigation Annual Conference (April 2023)
- "Subpoenas and Third-Party Evidence in International Arbitration," 7th Annual International Arbitration Symposium (March 2023)
- Panelist "Diversity in International Arbitration: Progress in Times of COVID?," presented by JAMS and Arbitral Women (December 2020)
- "Alternate Dispute Resolution," Cyber Law, Due Process, Arbitration and Mediation, Cyber Future Summit 2020 (October 2020)
- Panel Moderator "Criminal Matters and Allegations of Crimes in International Arbitration," International Legal Forum, Saint Petersburg, Russia (May 2013)
- "Best and Worst Practices in Arbitration," Georgia ICLE (August 2012)
- "How to Make Commercial and Construction Arbitration Faster and Less Expensive," ABA Section of Dispute Resolution (February 2010)
- "Is Arbitration Broken?," Georgia ICLE (December 2009)
- "Ways that Discovery & Presentation of Evidence in ADR Differs from Trials," ABA Section of Litigation (April 2009)
- "Resolving Board Room Conflicts," Atlanta Women's Foundation, Women on Board Training (July 2005)
- "The Green Tree Case and Class Action Arbitrations," Moderator, Georgia ICLE (November 2003)

- "Mediation Skill Building," Facilitator for Most Experienced Mediators Workshop, 10th Annual ADR Institute and Neutrals Conference (November 2003)
- "Arbitration in the New Millennium," American Arbitration Association, Joint Program (January 2001) **Ethics Topics**
- "Ethics for Construction Professionals," Construction Industry Section of the Alabama State Bar and the Alabama AGC (December 2021)
- "E-Discovery and other Emerging Issues," American Bar Association Forum on the Construction Industry (April 2015)
- "It Could Happen to You: A Discussion of Ethical Choices Professions Make in Everyday Practice," Georgia Chapter of the Association of Corporate Counsel (March 2012)
- "Ethics and Professionalism for Young Lawyers," Civil Litigation Seminar, ICLE, Georgia (April 2004)
- "Sarbanes Oxley and the General Practitioner," ICLE, Georgia, Statewide Broadcast (November 2003)
- "Beyond the Billable Hour," American Bar Association Annual Legal Malpractice Symposium, New Orleans (April 2003)
- "Multidisciplinary Practice: is it Possible After Enron?," ICLE, Georgia, Statewide Broadcast (February 2002)
- "Ethics Issues for Your Practice," ICLE, Georgia, taped for Statewide Broadcast (November 2001)
- "Multidisciplinary Practice Issues in Commercial Real Estate," ICLE, Georgia (November 2001)
- "Ethical Considerations for Construction Lawyers," Construction Law for the General Practitioner, Georgia ICLE (October 2001)
- "How to Start a Successful Professionalism Commission," Mid-Year Meeting of the American Bar Association, San Diego (February 2001)
- "Law Practice Management: Ethics, Conflicts and Money," ICLE Georgia (January 2001)
- "New Trends in the Legal Profession, Multidisciplinary Practice, Multijurisdictional Practice and Others," Atlanta Bar Association (December 2000)
- "The New Ethics Rules and How They Could Change Your Practice," ICLE Georgia (November 2000)
- "Handling Conflicts of Interest," ICLE Georgia (June 2000)
- "Multidisciplinary Practice," Litigation Section, Atlanta Bar Association (March 2000)
- "Can a Small Firm Compete Despite Multidisciplinary Practice," Solo Small Firm Section, Atlanta Bar Association (January 2000)
- "Will We Have Multidisciplinary Practice in Georgia?," Georgia State University Alumni (January 2000)
- "Gender Issues in the Profession," Legal Issues Affecting Women, ICLE Georgia (January 2000)
- "Ethical and Other Pitfalls in Surety Bond Litigation," Fidelity & Surety Committee (TIPS), American Bar Association, Annual Mid-Winter meeting, New York (January 1991)
- "Construction Attorney's Ethical Considerations," Construction Law: Issues for Today's Economy, ICLE Georgia (November 1990)
- "Ethical Considerations for Construction Lawyers," Construction Litigation: The Basics and More, ICLE Georgia (October 1987)

# Webinars

- Ethics 2021 (December 2021)
- Infrastructure Projects: How Big, How Costly, How Soon? (March 2021)
- To Trial or Not to Trial: Changing Considerations and Strategies for Effective COVID-Era Dispute Resolution (March 2021)
- Commercial Leases and Takings How to Leverage Your Rights in Eminent Domain Cases (February 2021)
- Significant Changes to Georgia Lien Law on January 1: Are You Prepared? (January 2021)
- Speaking Out in the South: An Afternoon of Good Trouble (August 2020)

# 😚 Education

- Washington & Lee University, J.D.
- Doctorate of Laws, honoris causa, Atlanta's John Marshall Law School
- Doctorate of Laws, honoris causa, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law
- Doctorate of Laws, honoris causa, Pepperdine University School of Law
- Union College, B.A., cum laude

### Admissions

- Georgia
- Georgia Court of Appeals
- Georgia Supreme Court
- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. District Court for the Northern and Middle Districts of Georgia
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Ninth, Tenth and Eleventh Circuits