



## Jennifer G. Cooper

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Ms. Cooper is chair of the Firm's Complex Torts Group. Her practice focuses on assisting companies and governments with ongoing legal issues and litigation matters, including coordination of nationwide litigation, business litigation and multi-plaintiff litigation. Ms. Cooper also assists clients with the development of in-house legal project management programs and serves as national coordinating counsel for all litigation matters for an Atlanta-based global company.

Ms. Cooper has a strong commitment to the advancement and support of women in the legal profession. She is the 2018 recipient of the [Baker Donelson Work-Life Warrior Award](#) in recognition of her commitment to promoting a healthy work-life balance and for advocating on behalf of work-life balance issues for others. Ms. Cooper presently serves on the Firm's Atlanta Strategic Planning Committee and is a member of the International Association of Defense Counsel.



### Case Studies

- [Baker Donelson Helps Client Achieve Operational Excellence - Innovation](#)



### Representative Matters

- National coordinating counsel for the world's largest claims servicing company.
- In a case of first impression, successfully argued to the Iowa Supreme Court that there is no cause of action for bad faith against a third-party administrator of workers' compensation claims.
- Entry of judgment on the pleadings for an international religious organization on claims that a local pastor assaulted a church member.
- Obtained summary judgment in a case where an insurance policyholder sought to impose a duty to warn upon a third-party administrator for wrongful death arising out of Superstorm Sandy.
- Defense verdict at jury trial on claims of negligence, trespass, strict liability for ultra hazardous activity and nuisance, arising out of claims by several adjacent property owners that effluent ponds at waste water treatment facility in Florida were causing subsurface migration of water and contaminants to their property.
- Defense verdict in a federal jury trial on behalf of a development company against claims for alleged Clean Water Act violations, trespass and nuisance, arising out of the development of a residential subdivision.
- Developed a legal project management program for a corporate legal department, including defensible eDiscovery practices and a budget management program.
- Defense of errors and omissions claims arising out of third-party administrator services.
- Defense of municipalities and utility companies in claims arising from operation of storm water, waste water and drinking water facilities and systems.



## Professional Honors & Activities

- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*® in the area of Product Liability Litigation - Defendants (2020 – 2022) and Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants (2021, 2022)
- Member – International Association of Defense Counsel
- Member – Atlanta Bar Association
- Member – Lawyers Club of Atlanta
- Member – State Bar of Georgia
- Member – The Florida Bar
- Member – Tennessee Bar Association
- [Baker Donelson Work-Life Warrior Award](#) (2018)
- Founding Member – Association of Corporate Counsel Georgia Chapter Women's Initiative Steering Committee (2014 – 2015)



## Publications

- "What Makes for a Successful Mentor/Mentee Relationship?," *Women's Initiative Newsletter* (October 2021)
- Co-author – "Assignability of Commercial Contracts (GA)," by Jennifer G. Cooper and Kseniya "Nicole" Kuprovskaya, *Thompson Reuters Practical Law* (2021)
- "Baker's Dozen: Honoring Moms Everywhere," *Women's Initiative Newsletter* (May 2021)
- "Complex Torts Practice Group Brings Together the Firm's Top Tort Trial Lawyers," *Trial Spotlight Newsletter* (May 2020)
- Co-author – "Assignability of Commercial Contracts (GA)," by Jennifer G. Cooper and Sarah Carrier, *Thompson Reuters Practical Law Commercial Transactions w-013-8962* (2019)
- Co-author – "Indemnification Clauses in Commercial Contracts (GA)," by Jennifer G. Cooper and Matthew J. Leonard, *Thompson Reuters Practical Law Commercial Transactions* (2019)
- "Tips for Leading Successful Teams," *Women's Initiative Newsletter* (August 2019)
- Co-author – "Confidentiality Agreement: General (Short Form, Mutual) (FL)," by Jennifer G. Cooper, David Levin, and Tanisha Pinkins, *Practical Law Practice Note w-018-6155* (June 2019)
- Co-author – "Assignability of Commercial Contracts (FL)," by Jennifer G. Cooper, David Levin, and Spencer Leach, *Practical Law Practice Note w-009-8819* (March 2018)
- Co-author – "General Contract Clauses: Litigation Costs and Expenses (FL)," by Jennifer G. Cooper and David Levin, *Practical Law Standard Clauses w-000-0651* (February 2018)
- Co-author – "Indemnification Clauses in Commercial Contracts (TN)," by Jennifer G. Cooper and Nick Margello, *Thompson Reuters Practical Law Commercial Transactions* (2017)



## Speaking Engagements

- Speaker – "Bringing Order to the Chaos: Managing 'Unmanageable' Litigation with Litigation Project Management," Baylor Law Executive L.L.M. Litigation Management (September 2021)
- Co-presenter – "How Your Law Firm Can Continue to Prosper in Challenging Times," Lex Machina webcast (April 17, 2020)
- Co-presenter – "In-House Counsel Financial Boot Camp" (October 2019)
- Panelist – "Taking Control of Your Legal Department - Practical Uses of Legal Project Management," International Association of Defense Counsel Corporate Counsel College, Chicago, Illinois (2017)
- Panelist – "View from the Bench and Bar: Best Practices for Inside and Outside Counsel Partnering to Achieve Effective Case and Trial Management," ABA Business Law Section Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois (2015)
- Panelist – "Changing the Conversation: Effective Partnering of In-House and Outside Counsel Using Legal Project Management," Practising Law Institute, Project Management for Lawyers 2015, New York, New York (January 2015)

- Moderator – "In-House Success!," General Counsel's Roundtable, ACC Georgia (May 2014)
- Moderator – "Ethics and Crisis Management," ABA Section of Litigation's Food & Supplements Third Annual Workshop (June 2013)
- Speaker – "Litigation Trends, Georgia Storm Water Hot Topics," 6th Annual Georgia Environmental Conference (August 2011)



## Webinars

- Managing "Unmanageable" Litigation (June 2020)



## Education

- University of Florida College of Law, J.D., 1987
- University of South Florida, B.A., Phi Kappa Phi 1984



## Admissions

- Florida, 1988
- Georgia, 1994
- Tennessee, 2011
- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. District Court for the Middle and Northern Districts of Georgia
- U.S. District Court for the Middle and Northern Districts of Florida
- U.S. District Court for the Middle, Eastern and Western Districts of Tennessee
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit