



Ida Sassani

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Ida Sassani represents clients in a wide variety of complex tort litigation matters.

Ida Sassani is a shareholder in Baker Donelson's Atlanta office and a litigator in the Firm's Logistics, Energy and Manufacturing Group. She represents clients in high-stakes, high-exposure "bet-the-company" litigation across the country, with a focus on the southeastern United States. Her practice concentrates on defending motor carriers, logistics providers, and transportation companies in matters involving catastrophic injury, wrongful death, cargo loss, freight charge disputes, and insurance coverage.

Ms. Sassani also represents a wide range of corporate clients in premises liability claims, commercial litigation, and other complex disputes. She is known for her strategic, results-oriented approach at every stage of litigation – from pre-suit investigation through trial and appeal in both state and federal courts.

Since 2022, Ms. Sassani has developed a niche in designing and leading mock trials for high-risk cases. Her work in this area helps clients and trial teams evaluate case value, test themes, and transform juror feedback into actionable trial strategy. Her growing experience in mock trials has made her a trusted resource for clients facing their most consequential legal challenges.

Prior to joining Baker Donelson, Ms. Sassani spent six years at a respected litigation firm in downtown Atlanta, where she focused on commercial and real estate litigation, including business torts, contract disputes, and complex commercial matters, as well as employment discrimination and wage and hour litigation.

Representative Matters

- Successfully represented an insurer in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit in a complex wrongful death case interpreting Georgia's direct-action statutes. The court affirmed summary judgment, holding that the statutes must be strictly construed and do not permit a plaintiff to sue an insurer without also naming the motor carrier.
- Obtained summary judgment in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia on behalf of a major logistics company in a personal injury action arising from a motorcycle accident. The court found no breach of duty or proximate cause by the company's driver, concluding that the motorcyclist's own negligence in attempting to pass on the shoulder was solely responsible for the crash.

Professional Honors & Activities

- Listed in Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America for Insurance Law, Transportation Law, and Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants (2026)
- Selected to Georgia Rising Stars in Business Litigation (2022 – 2025); PI General: Defense (2026)
- Named to *GaBiz* magazine's list of Top Lawyers (2026)
- Member – Atlanta Bar Association
- Member – State Bar of Georgia, Creditor's Rights and Commercial Litigation Section and General Practice and Trial Section
- Member – Transportation Lawyers Association (TLA)



Publications

- "Drawing the Line on Duty: Defending Against Negligent Training Claims," *The Transportation Lawyer*, Volume 27 No. 2 (October 2025)
- "The Cutting Edge: What Are Juries Telling Us in Mock Trials," *The Transportation Lawyer* (July 2024)



Education

- Emory University School of Law, J.D., 2016, cum laude
- University of Florida, B.A. degrees in Political Science and Classical Studies, 2013, cum laude



Admissions

- Georgia, 2016
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Georgia, 2018
- U.S. District Court, Middle District of Georgia, 2019
- Georgia Court of Appeals, 2019
- Georgia Supreme Court, 2020