

Ashley Gibson Associate

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Ashley Gibson concentrates her practice on business litigation matters.

Ashley Gibson has experience handling a broad range of litigation matters. She concentrates her practice in the areas of products liability defense, professional liability, trade secret litigation, employee benefits litigation and general commercial litigation.

Ashley's professional liability experience focuses primarily on defending physicians and other health care professionals in malpractice litigation. She has also represented numerous other professionals, including engineers, accountants, and architects in professional malpractice litigation. Her product liability defense experience includes representing clients in a variety of industries, including pharmaceuticals and outdoor recreational equipment. Her non-ERISA employee benefits practice includes advising clients about pension benefit disputes and representing clients in related litigation.

In every area in which she practices, Ashley strives to achieve the best results for her clients at every phase of the litigation process. She has successfully secured early dismissals of lawsuits, negotiated favorable settlements for her clients, won dispositive motions, prevailed at trial, and won issues on appeal.



Case Studies

Victory in Santa Fe: A Landmark Defense Against 911 Surcharge Claims - Telecommunications

Representative Matters

- Obtained multiple summary judgment rulings in various litigation, including premises liability matters.
- Negotiated numerous favorable settlement agreements for clients in areas ranging from personal injury litigation to general contract disputes.
- Obtained a defense verdict on behalf of legacy telecommunications companies rejecting all claims (with potential for nine-figure exposures) asserted in a qui tam case brought under New Mexico's Fraud Against Taxpayer's Act following a two-week state court jury trial in Santa Fe, New Mexico.



Professional Honors & Activities

- Listed in *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch*® *in America* for Commercial Litigation (2022 2025)
- Member Southeast Tennessee Lawyers Association for Women
 - Board Member At-Large (2020 –)
 - President (2018 2019)
- Co-Journal Editor Chattanooga Chapter of the Federal Bar Association
- Board Member Tennessee Lawyers' Association for Women
- Committee Member Civics Education and Outreach Committee for the United States District Court Eastern District of Tennessee
- Former Member American Inns of Court, Justices Brock and Cooper Chapter
- Mentor Big Brothers Big Sisters of America

Publications

- "COVID-19 Vaccinations: Will K-12 Students Be Mandated to Take Them?," republished in New Orleans CityBusiness (December 2020)
- "Sixth Circuit Case Update The Middle Finger is Protected Speech," Federal Bar Association: Journal of the Chattanooga Chapter (Spring 2019)

Government Education

- Emory University School of Law, J.D., 2015
- Georgia Southern University, B.B.A., 2012, cum laude

Admissions

- Tennessee, 2015
- U.S. District Court for the Western, Middle and Eastern Districts of Tennessee