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Barbara A. Marschalk's practice is devoted to defending a wide range of corporations and individuals in multiple practice areas including the defense of claims involving alleged childhood sexual abuse and sexual misconduct, clergy malpractice, defense of claims against churches, national and local youth serving organizations and other eleemosynary institutions, professional malpractice defense (including medical malpractice, long-term care defense, and legal malpractice), personal injury, premises liability and other general litigation involving catastrophic injuries and/or wrongful death. Barbara also handles significant products liability matters for nationally recognized insurers and their insureds.

In her more than 25 years with the firm, Barbara has defended numerous high-profile cases throughout the state, many of which have been the subject of local, state-wide and even national media attention.

In her spare time, Barbara also acts as an Instructor at her alma mater, Georgia State University College of Law, where she teaches a three hour required course on Trial Advocacy to second year law students. She is a past Committee Chair for the Young Lawyers Division of the Georgia State Bar and has been active as a coach for Georgia State University College of Law's mock trial program. A local expert on trial practice, Barbara authored two chapters of Georgia Civil Trial Procedure, LexisNexis Practice Guide, 2011-2012 Edition (Chapter 5: Planning and Delivering Opening Statements; and Chapter 9: Planning and Conducting Cross-Examination).

EDUCATION

Georgia State University, College of Law (JD, 1998)

University of South Carolina (BA, *cum laude*, 1995)

ADMISSIONS

Bar Admissions

Georgia

Court Admissions

Court of Appeals Georgia

Supreme Court Georgia

U.S. District Court Northern District
Georgia

U.S. District Court Middle District Georgia

RELATED PRACTICE AREAS

General Liability

Professional Malpractice and Healthcare
Litigation

MEMBERSHIPS

State Bar of Georgia, Young Lawyers
Division

Georgia Defense Lawyers Association
Defense Research Institute

American Bar Association

Lawyers Club of Atlanta

Senior Fellow, Litigation Counsel of
America

Because of her extensive trial and litigation experience, Barbara has been a repeat presenter at multiple seminars, both locally and nationally, on long-term care litigation, trial advocacy, and general risk management issues. Her reputation is that she is tough, but fair, and interested in the most efficient resolution of matters consistent with her client's goals. Barbara was selected as a Georgia Super Lawyers Rising Star by Atlanta Magazine in 2006 and 2008. She has also received an AV Preeminent Rating from Martindale Hubbell for her high ethical standards and professionalism. In 2008, she was also featured by the Fulton County Daily Report as one of Georgia's "Twelve Lawyers to Watch". In the article, Barbara was described as a "force of nature" who "gets to the merit of the case...and focuses on the issues that matter." Since 2018, she was selected by her peers for inclusion in the Best Lawyers in America® in the field of Insurance Law since 2018 and Medical Malpractice Law – Defendants since 2024 in Atlanta.

Atlanta Bar Association
Trial Law Institute
Diversity Law Institute

"For every Plaintiff's lawyer, there has to be a Barbara Marschalk."

Related Insights

- Barbara Marschalk to Speak at 2025 State Court Judges' Spring Conference, April 21, 2025, News
- Barbara Marschalk Interviewed in Law360 Article Regarding Georgia's Tort Reform, February 20, 2025, News
- Partner Barbara Marschalk Speaks at Judicial Staff Attorneys Conference, August 7, 2024, News
- Barbara Marschalk wins election for the Georgia Defense Lawyers Association Board, June 15, 2023, News
- Barbara A. Marschalk speaks at the 2023 State Court Judges' Spring Conference, May 30, 2023, Events, News
- Partner Barbara A. Marschalk Recognized as Lawyer of the Year in The Best Lawyers in America® 2023, August 19, 2022, News
- DEF Attorneys Recognized in 2023 Best Lawyers in America © and Best Lawyers in America: Ones to Watch ©, August 19, 2022, News
- DEF Attorneys Recognized in 2022 Best Lawyers in America © and Best Lawyers in America: Ones to Watch ©, August 27, 2021, News, Publications & Presentations

- Barbara Marschalk Presented at the State Court Judges' Spring Conference, May 13, 2021, News
- Partner Barbara Marschalk presenting on Diversity and Inclusion at Georgia Trial Lawyers Association Workshop, December 8, 2020, Events
- Partner Barbara Marschalk Assists in Creating a Platform for Plaintiff and Defense Lawyers to Provide Meals for Health Care Workers During COVID-19, April 9, 2020, Covid-19 Legal Updates, Journal, News
- Partner Barbara Marschalk, AKA GamecockBAM, Mentioned in Daily Report's Peloton Bike Club, March 27, 2020, Covid-19 Legal Updates, News
- DEF Attorneys Recognized in The Best Lawyers in America© 2020, August 22, 2019, Client Alerts
- Partner Barbara Marschalk Appointed to Serve on the Senate Study Committee on Reducing Georgia's Cost of Doing Business, August 20, 2019, News
- Partner Barbara Marschalk was Keynote Speaker at MAG 2019 Legislative Education Seminar, June 13, 2019, News, Publications & Presentations
- Partner Barbara Marschalk to Speak at The Women in Law Summit Series on November 1, October 10, 2018, News, Publications & Presentations
- DEF Attorneys Recognized in The Best Lawyers in America© 2019, September 25, 2018, News
- Atlanta Bar Association Litigation Section Breakfast, October 18, 2017, Events

Related Results

- Barbara Marschalk Presented at the State Court Judges' Spring Conference, May 20, 2019, Results
- Summary Judgment for Slip & Fall Claim Affirmed in Georgia Court of Appeals, September 24, 2018, Results
- In the news: Barbara Marschalk recently successfully defended her client in the Georgia Court of Appeals, August 8, 2017, Results
- Plaintiff Sues for \$1.5 Million, Rejects \$300,000 Offer, Left with \$12,591, August 1, 2017, Results