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James (Jim) P. Anderson has been practicing law for 34 years, with the last 30 of those focused on Workers' Compensation issues. He has extensive experience in drug cases and death claims in Workers' Compensation and his strength is in determining the compensability of claims, including dependency issues.

He developed his proficiency by trying more than 200 Workers' Compensation hearings over almost three decades throughout the state of Georgia. With his Engineering degree, earned while also a four year letterman in Varsity football at Georgia Tech, Jim is resourceful in technical environments and is often brought in at the beginning of a claim to consult and determine a strategy and to assist in the investigation.

He works closely with Risk Managers, Human Resources Managers, Third Party Administrators (TPAs), and Claims Adjusters to develop a plan to resolve and close files quickly and efficiently. Jim has particular experience with the trucking industry, manufacturing, pest control and extermination services, employee leasing and temporary employment agencies, restaurants, the hospitality and food distribution industry, as well as retail.

Jim has served on the firm's Board of Directors for a total of ten years and was elected to a two year term as Chairman (2014-2015). In October 2014, Jim was recognized in the Atlanta Business Chronicle's Law & Accounting: Who's Who. This list highlights the 100 most prominent individuals in the legal and accounting professions in Atlanta. Jim is a proud veteran of the United States Marine Corps. He attained the rank of Captain and served as a Judge Advocate General (JAG)

## EDUCATION

**Georgia State University, College of Law** (JD, 1991)

**Georgia Institute of Technology** (BIE, 1987)

## ADMISSIONS

### Bar Admissions

Georgia

### Court Admissions

Court of Appeals Northern District  
Georgia

## RELATED PRACTICE AREAS

Workers' Compensation

## MEMBERSHIPS

State Bar of Georgia

Atlanta Bar Association

SBWC Chairman's Advisory Council

officer where he successfully prosecuted more than 200 courts-martial, including dozens of drug testing cases, and served as Special Assistant to the US Attorney (SAUSA) for the Southern District of California. At the request of the Chairman of the State Board of Worker's Compensation, Jim has served on the Chairman's Advisory Council since 2014. Since 2018, he was selected by his peers for inclusion in the Best Lawyers in America© in the field of Workers' Compensation Law – Employers in Atlanta.

## Related Insights

- DEF Attorneys Jim Anderson and Ryan Klee will speak at the SBWC Annual Educational Conference, August 25, 2023, Events, News
- DEF Attorneys Recognized in 2023 Best Lawyers in America © and Best Lawyers in America: Ones to Watch ©, August 19, 2022, News
- Drew Eckl & Farnham to Sponsor 2021 State Board of Workers' Compensation Annual Educational Conference, August 27, 2021, Events
- DEF Attorneys Recognized in 2022 Best Lawyers in America © and Best Lawyers in America: Ones to Watch ©, August 27, 2021, News, Publications & Presentations
- Workers' Comp 101 for Manufacturers, January 30, 2020, News, Publications & Presentations
- DEF Attorneys Recognized in The Best Lawyers in America© 2020, August 22, 2019, Client Alerts
- DEF Attorneys Recognized in The Best Lawyers in America© 2019, September 25, 2018, News
- Jim Anderson has been featured in the Atlanta Business Chronicle's 2016 Who's Who in Law & Accounting, October 17, 2016, News