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Julie John has been practicing law for over 33 years and concentrates her efforts in the defense of Workers' Compensation claims for employers, insurers, self-insurers, and self-insured funds throughout Georgia. She serves clients in many industries and has particular experience in city and county government, transportation and carriers, healthcare providers, manufacturing, small entrepreneurial organizations as well as charitable groups.

She has taken and defended hundreds of depositions including those of expert witnesses, injured workers, and employer witnesses. During her career, she has also handled hundreds of hearings and mediations throughout Georgia. She is a Certified Mediator and frequent speaker and author in the area of Workers' Compensation law and mediation including topics on the defenses to workers' compensation claims, limiting workers' compensation claims, return to work issues, legislative and Board Rule changes, statutory employer issues, best practices for hearings and mediations, and handling catastrophic claims. Julie has served on the Rules And Mediation Committee of the Chairman's Advisory Council of the Georgia State Board of Workers' Compensation since 2003 and is currently the Chair of the Workers' Compensation Section of the State Bar of Georgia.

Between her tenures at Drew Eckl & Farnham, Julie worked at the Georgia State Board of Workers' Compensation from 1996-2002. During that time she was a Mediator and Public Information Officer from 1996-1998; an Administrative Law Judge from 1998-2002; and served as the Executive Director from 2000-2002. She was also on the Medical Committee of

## EDUCATION

**Samford University, Cumberland School of Law** (JD, *cum laude*, 1987)

**University of Tennessee** (BS, with highest honors, 1984)

## ADMISSIONS

### Bar Admissions

Georgia

### Court Admissions

U.S. District Court Northern District  
Georgia

Court of Appeals Georgia

Georgia Supreme Court

Court of Appeals Eleventh Circuit

U.S. Supreme Court

## RELATED PRACTICE AREAS

Workers' Compensation

## MEMBERSHIPS

American Bar Association

State Bar of Georgia

Chair of Workers' Compensation Section

Atlanta Bar Association

Georgia Defense Lawyers Association

the Chairman's Advisory Council from 2000-2003. Julie re-joined the firm in 2002 as a Partner and has been acknowledged as a Georgia Super Lawyer every year since 2004. She has also received an AV Preeminent Rating from Martindale Hubbell for her high ethical standards and professionalism. She has served on the Board of Directors for Drew Eckl & Farnham since 2014 and served as the Chair of the Board in 2016 and 2017. Julie is also a member of the Defense Research Institute and GDLA. In 2017, she was elected to the National College of Workers' Compensation Lawyers. Since 2018, Julie was selected by her peers for inclusion in the Best Lawyers in America® in the field of Workers' Compensation Law – Employers since 2018 and Insurance Law since 2024 in Atlanta. In 2022 she was the honoree for the Georgia Lifetime Achievers Award.

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- 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
- DEF Attorneys Recognized in The Best Lawyers in America© 2020, August 22, 2019, Client Alerts
- Twelve Drew Eckl & Farnham Attorneys Selected for Georgia Super Lawyers® and Rising Stars®, February 7, 2019, News
- DEF Attorneys Recognized in The Best Lawyers in America© 2019, September 25, 2018, News
- Julie John has been elected into the National College of Workers' Compensation Lawyers, March 21, 2017, News

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