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Neil has experience working as an outside general counsel for a technology company assisting the company in negotiating and finalizing NDAs, SaaS agreements and technology development agreements as well as many other aspects of the company's business. His legal experience also includes courtroom representation of clients in civil litigation matters, including personal injury, wrongful death, workers' compensation, construction, contract, commercial disputes, and malpractice actions. He represents employers in defense of claims in front of OSHA and Other government agencies. Neil has bench and jury trial experience on behalf of both plaintiffs and defendants in state courts in Tennessee and Georgia and federal courts as well as a diverse appellate practice. Since 2021, Neil was selected by his peers for inclusion in the Best Lawyers in America® in the field of Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions – Defendants in Atlanta.

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## EDUCATION

**University of Tennessee, College of Law**  
(JD, 2001)

**Rhodes College** (BA, 1997)

## ADMISSIONS

### Bar Admissions

Georgia

Tennessee

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Georgia Supreme Court

Court of Appeals Georgia

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