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## About

Michelle Guthrie Whitelaw focuses her practice on defending individuals and corporations in a wide variety of areas. She briefly practiced in Pennsylvania, but during her 21 years as a civil litigator, she has primarily worked in the southeastern United States, specifically Georgia, Alabama and Tennessee.

Michelle previously worked as in-house counsel for two different insurance companies giving her a unique understanding of the inner workings of the insurance industry. She has specific experience in the areas of premises, product and automobile liability and has defended individuals, businesses, houses of worship and medical entities.

Michelle is a member of the Charles Longstreet Weltner Inn of Court and has authored numerous legal articles on issues ranging from The Intra Family Immunity and In Loco Parentis to The History of Imposing Liability on Hospitals for the Actions of Emergency Room Doctors. She served as the sole presenter for a continuing legal education seminar at Jacksonville State University entitled "Issues in Nursing Home Litigation."

Michelle is married with three children.

## Education

Georgia State University,  
College of Law, J.D. 1998

Auburn University, B.A.,  
1995, *cum laude*

## Court Admissions

All Georgia State Courts,  
Court of Appeals and  
Supreme Court

All Alabama Circuit Courts,  
Court of Civil Appeals and  
Supreme Court

All Tennessee Circuit  
Courts, Court of Appeals  
and Supreme Court

All Pennsylvania Courts of  
Common Pleas, Superior  
Court and Supreme Court

All Federal District Courts in  
Georgia, Alabama,  
Tennessee and  
Pennsylvania

11th Circuit Court of Appeals

