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About

Julie John has been practicing law for over 30 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 a member of the Executive Committee 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 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 into the National College of Workers' Compensation Lawyers. In 2018, she was selected by her peers for inclusion in the Best Lawyers in America© 25th edition in the field of Workers' Compensation in Atlanta.

Education

Samford University,
Cumberland School of Law,
J.D., 1987, *cum laude*

University of Tennessee,
B.S., 1984, *highest honors*

Court Admissions

All Georgia State and
Federal Courts

USDC Northern District

Georgia Court of Appeals

Georgia Supreme Court

11th Circuit Court of Appeals

U.S. Supreme Court

