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Corliss Scrogins Lawson, Esq.



EDUCATION:

- Vanderbilt University School of Law, J.D., Honors: Dean's List; (1990-1992) General Motors Scholar (1992)
- Washburn University, Topeka, Kansas, B.A., Computer Information Sciences; (1989) Honors: cum laude; President's Honor Roll; Dean's Honor Roll, Departmental Honors

BAR ADMISSION

- Georgia, 1992
- Georgia Supreme Court
- U.S. District Court, N.D. Georgia
- U.S. Court of Appeals; 11th Circuit

LEGAL & PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Partner-in-Charge; Lord, Bissell & Brook LLP, Atlanta Office (2004-2006)
- Partner; Lord, Bissell & Brook LLP (1999-2006)
- Associate Attorney; Lord, Bissell & Brook LLP (1992-1999)
- State of Kansas - Social Rehabilitation Service, Topeka, Kansas, Computer Programmer (1985-1989)
- State of Kansas - Social Rehabilitation Services, Topeka, Kansas, Computer Operator (1980-1985)

PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

- American Bar Association
- ABA TIPS Brief Editorial Board (1999-2002)
- ABA Minority Counsel Demonstration Program
- Association of Trial Lawyers of America
- Atlanta Bar Association
- Georgia Association of Black Women Attorneys
- Georgia Association of Women Lawyers
- Georgia Women's Business Council
- National Bar Association
- Certified Member of the Georgia Women's Business Council
- Panel Member – International Institute for Conflict Prevention and Resolution (CPR)

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Georgia Super Lawyers (2005, 2006 & 2007)
- Madison Who's Who of Professionals (2006-2007)
- America's Registry of Outstanding Professionals (2006-2007)
- Who's Who in Black Atlanta (2005, 2006 & 2007)
- Certificate of Appreciation, American Red Cross Blood Services, "The Minority Recruitment Advisory Board"

MEDIA

- "Guiding Principles," ABA Journal, June 2005
- "Corliss in Charge," Georgia Super Lawyers, March 2005
- "Against All Odds," Who's Who in Black Atlanta (featured article), January, 2005
- "National Law Firm Selects First African American Female to Head Atlanta Office," Atlanta Christian Times Today (feature article), December, 2004
- "Diversity Draws New Hires to Lord, Bissell - Lawyers Attracted by Vision of Partner-in-Charge," Fulton County Daily Report (feature article), November, 2004
- "Lord, Bissell & Brook LLP Continues to Set the Gold Standard in its Atlanta Office," Season Magazine (feature article), Winter 2004
- "Soaring Through the Glass Ceiling," Season Magazine (feature article), Fall 2004
- "Diversity-Focused Law Firms," Diversity & the Bar (feature article), Minority Corporate Counsel Association, July/August 2004
- "Former Topekan Takes Law Career to the Pinnacle," Topeka Capital-Journal (feature article), July 2004
- "Lord, Bissell Elects First Black Female Chief in Atlanta," Fulton County Daily Report (feature article), July 2004
- "Lord Bissell's Top Atlanta Attorney Leaves to Start Her Own Shop," Small Firm Business, June 2006
- "Lawson leaves Lord Bissell, starts firm," Fulton County Daily Report (feature article), May 24, 2006

PUBLICATIONS

- Co-Author, "The 2003 Amendment to the Georgia Class Action Statute," Georgia Bar Journal, October 2004
- "Conduct Ethical Post Verdict Interviews," Vol.3, No.3, The Practical Litigator, May 1992
- "Hear No Evil Speak No Evil, Ethics and the Post-Trial Juror Interview," ABA annual How to Persuade the Jury and Figure Out What It Is Thinking, November 1991

AREAS OF EXPERIENCE:

- Business litigation partner
- Defended many clients in class action lawsuits across the nation, including cases involving consumer credit fraud, breach of express and/or implied warranties, product liability, employment and mass tort actions such as toxic torts and occupational diseases
- Experience in negotiating and obtaining class action settlements involving nationwide and multi-district classes
- Products Liability
- Environmental law
- Employment Discrimination
- Unfair and deceptive practices claims
- Premises Liability
- Occupational Disease
- Complex insurance defense
- Railroad and Aviation defense
- Media and Entertainment law
- Intellectual Property
- General tort
- Breach of Contract
- Substantial experience in mediation, arbitration and administrative hearings, throughout the Southeast and nationally
- Labor and Employment Relations
- Counseled clients on how to minimize the potential for claims, which could lead to litigation
- Governmental investigations, such as OFCCP audits