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Practice

Jim is the managing partner of Phelps Dunbar's Gulfport office. He handles a diverse litigation practice in Mississippi and Louisiana. As a litigator, he has handled a variety of tort claims, including serious personal injury, property damage, and wrongful death claims arising from products liability, toxic exposure, professional liability (medical, legal and insurance agents/brokers), maritime (Jones Act and general admiralty law), construction (architects, engineers, and contractor's disputes), and insurance coverage disputes. His 26 year litigation experience has enabled him to appreciate the complexities of settlement, and the perspectives of the trial attorneys participating in ADR. Jim serves as a mediator for serious personal injury and property damage cases, and has presided over more than 200 mediations. Jim also has served as an arbitrator in numerous personal injury claims. Jim's ADR experience ranges from garden variety tort cases to medical malpractice/nursing litigation to insurance coverage disputes. He also has lectured as a visiting professor at the University of New Orleans, and is a frequent speaker at legal and industry seminars.

Education

Mississippi College, J.D., 1980
Louisiana State University, B.S. in Business Administration, 1975

Memberships/Affiliations

Member: American Bar Association (Tort and Insurance Practice Sections), Louisiana State Bar Association, Mississippi State Bar Association, Louisiana Association of Defense Counsel, Slidell Bar Association (Past President); Harrison County Bar Association
Admitted to Practice: State of Mississippi; State of Louisiana; Federal Courts, Eastern District of Louisiana, Western District of Louisiana, Southern District of Mississippi and Fifth Circuit of Appeal
Certified Arbitrator; Certified Mediator
Visiting Professor, University of New Orleans, 1989-1990
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