

Kermit L. Kendrick

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Kermit Kendrick practices in the firm's Litigation Section where he defends all types of litigation, including insurance defense, personal injury, wrongful death, toxic exposure, and property damage matters.

He serves as the chair of the firm's Transportation, Insurance, and Product Section and has been recognized by many highly regarded organizations and directories nationwide.

Kermit's background molded a competitive spirit and commitment to excellence that guides his handling and resolution of complex litigation matters across the Southeast. As an All-American football player at the University of Alabama, Kermit learned the values of hard work, preparation, perseverance, teamwork, and courage. It is those same values that Kermit applies consistently in handling litigation matters in three primary areas:

- (1) Consumer financial services including representing mortgage lenders, banks, short and long-term lenders, on-line lenders, and vehicle finance entities.
- (2) Employment related claims such as those brought under Title VII, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and work-related injuries.
- (3) Defense of transportation entities, including trucking companies, short line and regional railroads, in an array of litigation matters including actions brought under the Federal Employers' Liability Act, claims for indemnification, insurance-related claims, and unique employment issues and actions. Kermit has successfully tried a number of cases in Federal and State courts and has also handled a number of arbitration matters.

Additionally, from 2019-2021, Kermit served as the City Attorney for the City of Meridian, Mississippi. In his capacity as City Attorney, Kermit managed the City's outside counsel at multiple law firms

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CAPABILITIES

Consumer Finance Litigation & Compliance

Sports & Entertainment

Financial Institutions

Insurance

Insurance Litigation & Coverage

Restaurant Services

Transportation & Logistics

Railroads

EDUCATION

J.D., University of Alabama School of Law

B.S., University of Alabama

LICENSED IN

Alabama

Mississippi

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and served as chief legal adviser to the executive branch of the local government.

While at the University of Alabama, Kermit was a 4-year starter on the football team, was an All-SEC performer in 1987 and, in 1988, was selected as an All-American. Kermit is especially thankful for having been the first winner of the Sylvester Croom Commitment to Excellence Award while at Alabama. Kermit later attended the University of Alabama School of Law. During law school, Kermit received the Jerome Hoffman Leadership Award and was a member of the Farrah Law Society. In addition, he was selected for membership in the Bench & Bar Legal Honor Society.

After receiving his Accounting degree, and before going to Law School, Kermit joined Merrill Lynch, where he secured a Series 7 license and worked as a financial consultant. In addition, Kermit served as a compliance officer for approximately two years for the University of Alabama's Athletic Department before attending Law School.

Kermit's leadership and his desire to provide support to charities in the Southeast are demonstrated by his involvement in a number of organizations. Kermit's litigation skills were recognized in connection with being selected as a future lead litigator for CSX Transportation, Inc.

Honors & Recognition

- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Railroad Law since 2014, Commercial Litigation since 2022, Insurance Law since 2022, Litigation - Insurance since 2022, Personal Injury Litigation Defendants since 2023
 - Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*®, "Lawyer of the Year," Railroad Law, Birmingham, Alabama (2017 & 2019)
- *Mid-South Super Lawyers*, Civil Litigation Defense since 2017

News

- 58 Burr Attorneys Named to 2023 Mid-South Super Lawyers and Rising Stars List
Firm News, 11.28.2023
- Best Lawyers® 2024 Honors 242 Burr Attorneys, Including 17 "Lawyers of the Year"
Firm News, 08.17.2023
- Name, Image and Likeness Team and BurrSportsLaw.com in the News
Firm News, 09.22.2021
- Law360: Burr & Forman Starts College Athlete NIL Resource Site
Firm News, 09.16.2021
- Burr & Forman Launches NIL Microsite for College Athletes
Firm News, 09.14.2021

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Articles

- U.S. DOT to Release Important Potential Changes to Hours of Service Regulations, Including Hitting the Pause Button
Articles / Publications, 08.15.2019
- Burr Alert: FMCSA ELD Mandate is Here, but Will Have Grace Period
Articles / Publications, 11.21.2017
- *The Brief*: Vacatur of Arbitration Awards in Commercial Arbitration (Winter 2014)
Articles / Publications, 12.04.2014

Civic Activities

- The Mike Slive Foundation, Board Member
- The Foundry Rescue Mission, Board Member
- Sunrise Rotary Club, Board Member
- The "A" Club Alumni Association, Executive Board Member & Chair-Elect
- National Association of Trial Counsel, Executive Committee Member
- President of the Hoover City Schools Board of Education