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MEMBERS OF FIRM:

PHILLIP E. ADAMS, JR., born Farmville, Virginia, December 25, 1943

Preparatory education:

Public Schools of Alexander City, Alabama
Auburn University, B.S., 1965

Legal education:

University of Alabama School of Law, J.D., 1968

Professional background:

Law clerk to Associate Justice Pelham Merrill of the Alabama Supreme Court,
1968-69

Admissions:

Alabama State Bar, 1968
U. S. District Court Middle District of Alabama
U. S. District Court Southern District of Alabama
U. S. District Court Northern District of Alabama

Professional Associations and Memberships:

- Lee County Bar Association, President, 1973
- Alabama State Bar, President, 1991-92
- Alabama Bar Foundation, Fellow
- American Bar Association, Member House of Delegates, 1991-95
- American Bar Foundation, Life Fellow
- American Bar Association, Member Section of Dispute Resolution
- Alabama Academy of Attorney Mediators
- Litigation Counsel of America, Fellow
- Registered on the Alabama State Court Mediator Roster
- Registered on the Alabama Arbitrator Roster
- Member, National Academy of Distinguished Neutrals

Honors and Awards:

- Recognized by *Birmingham Magazine* as one of the Best Lawyers in Alabama, 2007
- Listed in *Best Lawyers in America* 2008 Edition in the specialty of Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Listed in *Alabama Super Lawyers*, 2008-2011
- *Best Lawyers* 2011 Lawyer of the Year Montgomery Area Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Rated AV Preeminent for 30 years by Martindale-Hubbell
- Included in Top Attorneys in Alabama by *Business Alabama*, May 2011

Non-legal activities: Member, Auburn United Methodist Church; Opelika Kiwanis Club

Areas of Practice: Registered Alabama mediator 1996; general business; corporate; trial practice; insurance litigation; banking law; real estate

PATRICK CHRISTOPHER DAVIDSON, born Opelika, Alabama, May 19, 1968

Preparatory education:

Public schools of the City of Auburn, Alabama
Auburn University (B.S. 1990)

Legal education:

University of Alabama, J.D., 1994

Admissions

Alabama State Bar, 1994

Professional Associations and Memberships:

- Lee County Bar Association
Treasurer, 2004-2006
- Alabama State Bar Association
- Alabama Law Foundation
Board of Trustees 2004-present
Grants Committee 2001-2004
- Atticus Finch Society, charter member

Non-legal activities: Member, Holy Trinity Episcopal Church; Auburn Youth Tackle Football Association Board of Directors; Lee County Indigent Defense Commission, Board member

Areas of Practice: General litigation and trial practice; real estate; probate; business law; municipal law; school board law

MATTHEW W. WHITE, born Montgomery, Alabama, January 23, 1967

Preparatory Education:

Auburn University, B.S. (Business Administration), 1990

Legal Education:

Mississippi College School of Law, 1994

Professional Background:

Assistant District Attorney for the 5th Judicial Circuit of Alabama 1994-97

Admissions:

Alabama State Bar, 1994

U. S. District Court Middle District of Alabama

U. S. District Court Southern District of Alabama

U. S. District Court Northern District of Alabama

Professional Associations and Memberships:

- Lee County Bar Association
- Alabama State Bar
Committee for Quality of Life for Lawyers, Chairperson 2004-2006
- American Bar Association

Non-legal Activities: Member, Auburn United Methodist Church

Lee County American Red Cross, Board of Directors, 2006 - present

Areas of Practice: General civil litigation; worker's compensation litigation; criminal trial practice; personal injury; torts

BLAKE L. OLIVER, born Dothan, Alabama, August 28, 1978

Preparatory Education:

Auburn University, B.A. (Political Science) 2000, *cum laude*.

Legal Education:

Cumberland School of Law at Samford University, J.D., 2003 *cum laude*.

Professional Background:

Law clerk for the Honorable J. Gorman Houston, Jr., Chief Justice of the Alabama Supreme Court from 2003-2004

Admissions:

Alabama State Bar, 2003

U. S. District Court Middle District of Alabama

U. S. District Court Southern District of Alabama
U. S. District Court Northern District of Alabama

Professional Associations and Memberships:

- Lee County Bar Association
- Alabama State Bar
Judicial Liaison Committee, 2009-Present

Non-Legal Activities: Member, Holy Trinity Episcopal Church; Plains Apartment Association, Board member; Alumni Advisor for the Beta Theta Chapter of Sigma Nu Social Fraternity

Areas of Practice: Defense litigation; banking; corporate law; and real estate

MICHAEL E. SHORT, born Grove Hill, Alabama, January 18, 1971

Preparatory Education: Auburn University B.S. (Marketing)1994; Masters of Education 1996

Legal Education: Cumberland School of Law at Samford University, J.D., 2004

Admissions:

Alabama State Bar, 2004
U. S. District Court Middle District of Alabama
U. S. District Court Northern District of Alabama

Professional Associations and Memberships:

- Lee County Bar Association
- Alabama State Bar

Honors and Awards:

Voted Best Lawyer in Lee County by readers of Opelika-Auburn News, 2007

Non-legal activities: Member, Auburn United Methodist Church

Areas of Practice: domestic relations/family law, municipal law, general civil litigation, and criminal law.

ASSOCIATES:

CHRISTINE B. DEAN, born Montgomery, Alabama, August 12, 1974

Preparatory Education: University of Alabama 1996, *summa cum laude*

Legal Education: Cumberland School of Law at Samford University 1999, *summa cum laude*

Admissions:

Alabama State Bar, 1999

Professional Background: Law Clerk for the Honorable Ira DeMent, III, United States District Judge for the Middle District of Alabama; Chambers Staff Attorney for the Honorable Joel F. Dubina, United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals.

Professional Associations and Memberships:

- Lee County Bar Association
- Alabama State Bar

Areas of Practice: appellate law and motion practice

OF COUNSEL:

ARNOLD W. UMBACH, JR., born Williamsburg, VA, December 6, 1942

Preparatory Education: Baylor School, Chattanooga, Tennessee, Auburn University, B. S. 1969.

Legal Education:

University of Alabama, J.D., 1971
Emory University, LL.M. in Taxation, 1976.

Admissions:

Alabama State Bar, 1971

Professional Associations and Memberships:

- Bench and Bar
- Lee County Bar Association
- Alabama State Bar
- American Bar Association
Taxation Section

Non-legal Activities: Member, Auburn United Methodist Church; Auburn Rotary Club.

Areas of Practice: General business; real estate; banking law; corporate law; municipal law; taxation; and probate and estate planning.

PAUL A. CLARK, born Anniston, Alabama, September 16, 1973

Preparatory education:

Oxford High School, Oxford, AL - Advanced Diploma 1991
Faulkner University, Montgomery, AL, B.S. Psychology/Criminal Justice,
August 1994

Legal education:

Cumberland School of Law, J.D., 1999

Professional background:

More than 12 years of experience focused exclusively on civil trials and appeals

Admissions:

Alabama State Bar, 1999
U. S. District Court Middle District of Alabama
U. S. District Court Southern District of Alabama
U. S. District Court Northern District of Alabama

Professional Associations and Memberships:

- Montgomery County Bar Association, President (2010), Vice-President (2009), Secretary/Treasurer (2008) Young Lawyers, President (2004-2006)
- Alabama State Bar, 1999
- Alabama State Bar Leadership Forum, 2009
- Order of the Barristers

Non-legal activities: Arthritis Foundation - South Central Alabama Regional Advisory Council - former Vice Chair

Areas of Practice: General civil litigation; environmental litigation; water and sewer litigation; products liability; commercial litigation; municipal litigation; complex litigation

REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS OF LAW FIRM:

Alfa Mutual Insurance Company, Auburn City Board of Education, AuburnBank, Auburn Network, Auburn University, Auburn University Federal Credit Union, Cincinnati Insurance Company, City of Auburn, Alabama, Colony Insurance Company, Companion Property and Casualty Group, Fireman's Fund Insurance Group, GAB Robins North America, Georgia Power Company, Keystone Bank, Oldcastle Materials Southeast, PHH Homeequity Corporation, The Silver Group

APPROVED ATTORNEYS:

First American Title Insurance Company
Lawyers Title Insurance Corporation;

REAL ESTATE CAPABILITIES:

The firm employs one certified real estate paralegal whose time is exclusively spent on real estate matters. The firm also employs one full time abstractor. She assists us in examining courthouse records and compiling chains of title in a number of counties in Alabama. Primarily our real estate practice has been in the Counties of Lee, Macon, Russell, Chambers, Tallapoosa, Barbour, Bullock, Montgomery, Elmore and Pike, although we occasionally have transactions in other counties.

The firm is approved to close loans for the following mortgage lenders: Alabama Exchange Bank, Albany Bank & Trust, Aliant Bank, American Savings & Loan Assn. of West Palm Beach, AmSouth Bank, Atlantic Mortgage & Investment Corporation, Auburn University Federal Credit Union, AuburnBank, BancorpSouth Bank, Cartus Financial, Charter Bank, Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., CB&T of Russell County, CUNA Mutual Mortgage Corporation, Federal Land Bank Assn. Of South Alabama, First American Bank, Hibernia National Bank, Keystone Bank, Merrill Lynch Credit Corporation, MortgageAmerica, Inc., PHH Mortgage Services, Southern States Bank, SunTrust Mortgage, Inc., The Peoples Bank & Trust Company, UMSV-USB Lending, LLC d/b/a MortgageSouth