

C. Gregory Burgess

Shareholder

Bar admissions: Alabama, 1995

Practice Areas

- Municipal, and public employee litigation
- Constitutional and civil rights litigation
- Employment litigation

- Commercial litigation
- Construction litigation
- Appellate practice

Profile

Mr. Burgess' practice is focused on the representation of businesses and municipalities in a wide range of litigation matters, including shareholder derivative actions, employment discrimination and retaliation, trade secret and intellectual property protection, wrongful death, contract disputes, enforcement of non-competition agreements, products liability, construction disputes, and police civil-liability lawsuits. He has successfully tried a number of cases in federal and state courts, and has significant appellate experience including multiple oral arguments before the U.S. Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals.

Mr. Burgess is admitted to practice before the Untied States Supreme Court, United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, U.S. District Court (Northern and Middle Districts of Alabama), and all Alabama state courts.

Honors and Awards

- SuperLawyers.com has named Mr. Burgess as an Alabama Super Lawyer for 2018, 2019, and 2020 in the areas of business litigation, employment litigation, and civil litigation.
- Rated AV by the Martindale-Hubbell Legal Directory. An AV rating indicates that a lawyer's peers rank him or her at the highest level of professional excellence.

Representative Cases

Cases representative of Mr. Burgess' work include—

- Robinson v. City of Huntsville, 2021 WL 4820652 (N.D. Ala. Oct. 15, 2021).
- Hickman v. Spirit of Athens, Inc., 2021 WL 164322 (11th Cir. Jan. 19, 2021).
- Kennamer v. City of Guntersville, 2020 WL 2781243 (Ala. May 29, 2020).
- Gentry v. City of Russellville, 406 F.Supp.3d 1231 (N.D. Ala. 2019).
- Hickman v. Spirit of Athens, Inc., 2019 WL 861131 (N.D. Ala. Feb. 22, 2019).
- Hardrick v. City of Bridgeport, 2018 WL 2389798 (N.D. Ala. May 25, 2018).

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Representative Cases (continued)

- Holden v. City of Madison, 2018 WL 1900550 (N.D. Ala. April 20, 2018).
- White v. City of Athens, 2017 WL 4222616 (N.D. Ala. Sept. 22, 2017).
- Mooren v. System Studies & Simulations, Inc., 2017 WL 3581727 (N.D. Ala. Aug. 18, 2017).
- Howard Industries, Inc. v. Ridgeway, 2015 WL 3953052 (S.D. Miss. June 29, 2015).
- *Roddy v. City of Huntsville*, 947 F. Supp. 2d 1271 (N.D. Ala. 2013).
- Bailey v. City of Huntsville, 517 Fed. Appx. 857 (11th Cir. 2013).
- Mears v. McCulley, 881 F. Supp. 1305 (N.D. Ala. 2012).
- Sims v. Leonard, 465 Fed. Appx. 869 (11th Cir. 2012).
- Garcia v. Killingsworth, 425 Fed. Appx. 831 (11th Cir. 2011).
- Brown v. City of Huntsville, 608 F.3d 724 (11th Cir. 2010).
- Walker v. City of Huntsville, 310 Fed. Appx. 335 (11th Cir. 2009).
- Tabolt v. City of Huntsville, 2009 WL 10688927 (N.D. Ala. Feb. 2, 2009).
- City of Huntsville v. Stove House 5, Inc., 3 So. 3d 186 (Ala. 2008).
- *Phase II, L.L.C. v. City of Huntsville,* 952 So. 2d 1115 (Ala. 2006).
- Thurmond v. City of Huntsville, 904 So. 2d 314 (Ala. Civ. App. 2004).
- Borders v. City of Huntsville, 875 So. 2d 1168 (Ala. 2003).
- American Tower L.P. v. City of Huntsville, 295 F.3d 1203 (11th Cir. 2002).

Professional Associations

Alabama Bar Association

Huntsville-Madison County Bar Association

Alabama Association of Municipal Lawyers

Defense Research Institute

Alabama Self-Insurers Association

Education

J.D., magna cum laude, 1995, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL Editor, Alabama Law Review Bench and Bar, Legal Honor Society

B.S., 1991, Birmingham-Southern College, Birmingham, AL

Publications

- "Your Client is a * &) (*%!*(%)—Rule 3.6 and the Media," For The Defense (2005).
- "Ex parte Scarbrough," Alabama Law Review (1994).

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Presentations

- The Sudden Emergency Doctrine Related to Health Issues, Alabama Municipal Insurance Corp. (AMIC) Spring Defense Counsel Roundtable, 2020.
- The Prison Litigation Reform Act, AMIC Spring Defense Counsel Roundtable, 2019.
- Diminished Value and Loss of Use—When and How Much?, Alabama Insurance Law and Law Ethics Update, Alabama Property and Casualty Adjusters Association (APCAA), July 10, 2019.
- Should the Alabama Supreme Court Adopt the *Iqbal* and *Twombly* Pleading Standard, AMIC Spring Defense Counsel Roundtable, 2015.

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