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The challenges, problem-solving, and arduous tasks of the practice of law have some lawyers hiding under their desks, but Andrew Stubbs is not; he's out trekking through the jungle of paperwork and research finding his clients real, effective solutions. Personable and honest, Andrew offers strong relationships to his clients and is always ready to put in the long hours in order to best serve them, including collaborating with his coworkers. Team work is a strong part of Andrew's work ethic, as he believes another set of eyes and mind can benefit even the most experienced attorney. With Andrew, clients can find the same attributes that he possesses in a barbeque competition or a Crossfit challenge: focus and commitment.

## Education

- Mississippi College School of Law, J.D.
- University of Mississippi, B.A., Double Major, Croft School of International Studies, Latin American Business & Economics and Spanish
  - Thesis Topic - Poverty Alleviation in Venezuela: Hugo Chavez' Role

## Bar Admissions

- Mississippi, 2009
- Arkansas, 2017

## Important Litigation Involvement

- Member of trial team representing Precision Packaging that secured a key defense verdict in the first silica case trial in Arkansas. The verdict was received on October 20, 2016 after a four-day trial. Based on the evidence, the jury concluded that the plaintiff did not have silicosis.
- Currently representing a global respirator manufacturer in products liability claims throughout West Virginia. The plaintiffs allege that various respirator manufacturers and distributors caused or contributed to their diagnoses of coal workers pneumoconiosis or pulmonary massive fibrosis.
- Currently defending vape retail stores in products liability actions in which the plaintiffs allege the batteries sold to them for use in their vape devices malfunctioned and caused serious personal injuries.

## Professional Recognition

- *The Best Lawyers in America*®: Ones to Watch, 2021: Commercial Litigation, Mass Tort Litigation/Class Actions – Defendants, Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants
- Selected to Mid-South Rising Stars (2013-2014, 2019-2020)
- Mississippi Bar Leadership Forum, class of 2013



## Organization/Committee Memberships

- Young Lawyers Division of the Mississippi Bar
  - Active Member since August 2009
  - Chairman of the Communications Committee, 2014-2015 and 2015-2016
  - Member of the YLD Seminars Committee, 2014
  - Board Member as Central District Post II Director, July 2012 – 2014
  - High School Mock Trial Competition Judge in 2010, 2011 and 2012
- Mississippi Defense Lawyers Association
- American Bar Association

## Law School Honors & Awards

- Moot Court Board
- President, International Law Society
- Certificate of Civil Law Studies
- National Trial Competition Advocate
- Environmental Law Society

## Previous Experience

- Participated as the second-chair attorney in multiple medical malpractice trials in which defense verdicts were secured on behalf of physicians and hospitals
- Performed all aspects of trial development and preparation as well as trial involvement, including direct and cross examinations of witnesses and performing closing arguments

## Practice Areas

- Asbestos
- Silica
- Premises Liability
- Personal Injury
- Product Liability
- Professional Liability
- Trademark