



Lance B. Williams

Mediator and Arbitrator

Lance B. Williams is an “AV” rated trial lawyer, whose areas of practice include defending product liability, mass tort, professional malpractice, construction, trucking, toxic tort and insurance defense litigation. Mr. Williams has also represented plaintiffs in litigation and at trial. He has unique experience from having tried cases for both plaintiffs and defendants throughout the State of Louisiana and in other jurisdictions. Mr. Williams handles both mediations and arbitrations at Perry Dampf Dispute Solutions.



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Biography

Mr. Williams obtained his law license in 1991 after graduating from the Louisiana State University School of Law. Since then, his practice has focused almost exclusively on litigation. A significant portion of his practice has involved representation of manufacturers in the automotive, heavy machinery, industrial equipment, home product, and medical device industries in product liability litigation. Through his appellate work, Mr. Williams has argued cases at every appeals court in the state, much of which involved interpretation of the Louisiana Product Liability Act. Williams also represents defendants in catastrophic toxic tort litigation, including claims against manufacturers and premises owners for asbestos and benzene exposure.

Mr. Williams has represented parties including multinational Fortune 100 companies, large insurers, local businesses and individual plaintiffs. He has tried cases in dozens of jurisdictions around the State of Louisiana, as well as other jurisdictions around the country. This experience provides him with a unique ability to understand the issues affecting a diverse array of litigants involved in litigation throughout the state.

Mr. Williams is licensed to practice law in Louisiana and Illinois. He has written articles and spoken nationally on topics related to product liability, class action, and asbestos litigation. Additionally, he was an assistant professor at the Chicago-Kent College of Law from 2000-2001.

He is an active member of the Defense Research Institute and the Tort Trial and Insurance Practice Section of the American Bar Association. He is Immediate Past Chair of the Product Liability Committee of ABA-TIPS. Mr. Williams has an AV rating from Martindale-Hubbell for legal ability and adherence to professional standards of ethics.

Mr. Williams is happily married to Frances Williams, and they have two children, Madeline and Blake.

Education

BA, Tulane University (1991)

JD, Louisiana State University School of Law (1994)

Recognitions

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