

Agenda

Understanding Georgia Personal Injury Law The development of personal injury law in Georgia Statutes and regulations that affect liability law An overview of liability law in different types of personal injury cases <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Automobile accident• Slip-and-fall• Medical malpractice• Product liability The law of damages Recent developments and anticipated changes in Georgia law	<i>K. Adamson</i>
Investigating and Evaluating a Personal Injury Claim Obtaining information from/about the plaintiff Using (and not using) investigators Identifying and locating parties and witnesses Investigating/documenting the incident Interviewing witnesses Obtaining information on damages Identifying and obtaining other relevant information Helpful resources	<i>Z. Thomas</i>
Understanding Indemnity, Subrogation and Contribution Types of indemnity, indemnity claims, defenses to indemnity claims Overview of subrogation, asserting subrogation rights, defenses to subrogation claims Right to contribution, bringing a claim for contribution, defenses to contribution claims	<i>C. Monsewicz</i>
Litigating Personal Injury Cases Drafting, filing and serving initial pleadings Participating in the discovery process <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Drafting admissions, interrogatories and requests for production of documents• Responding to discovery requests Deposition practice: preparing for, attending and reviewing Working with expert witnesses Preparing for and assisting at trial	<i>D. Tobin</i>
Handling Ethical Issues in Personal Injury Practice Maintaining client confidentiality Avoiding conflicts of interest Avoiding the unauthorized practice of law Communicating with clients, the court and opposing counsel	<i>B. Newcomb</i>



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Learning Objectives

- You'll be able to:**
- Identify** the statutes and regulations that affect personal injury law in Georgia.
 - Explore** injuries and liability that arise from automobile accidents, medical malpractice, product liability and slip-and-fall incidents.
 - Investigate** and evaluate personal injury cases.
 - Assist** with the drafting of initial pleadings, interrogatories and requests for production of documents.
 - Work** on indemnity, subrogation and contribution claims.
 - Maintain** client confidentiality and avoid the unauthorized practice of law.



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- Learn** about the development of personal injury law in Georgia
- Understand** indemnity, subrogation and contribution claims
- Understand** how to investigate and evaluate personal injury claims
- Identify** and avoid common ethical issues in personal injury cases
- Work** on drafting, initial pleadings and responding to discovery requests

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Faculty

Kevin Adamson is the founder of Kevin A. Adamson, P.C. Trial Attorneys. He has been providing full-service plaintiff's counsel to clients who have suffered personal injuries since 2001. His consistent focus on high-quality service and top-notch representation has brought about significant results for their clients. In 2015, a jury returned a \$72 million verdict for a client who was injured in a dog attack, and in 2018, he achieved a \$30 million judgment in a case involving a tractor-trailer explosion. In addition, Mr. Adamson's cases have resulted in numerous six-figure and seven-figure verdicts and settlements." He is also a registered arbitrator and mediator with extensive experience handling contract negotiations for a variety of professional services, including athletic contracts. Mr. Adamson earned his undergraduate degree from LaGrange College, his MBA from Lynchburg College, and his J.D. degree from Samford University Cumberland School of Law.

Zach Thomas is a Savannah native who graduated from Mercer University School of Law in 2004. Upon graduation, he was inducted into the Order of the Barristers, which is a national honorary organization recognizing those who have excelled in advocacy and service. Mr. Thomas returned to his hometown of Savannah where he has practiced law since 2004. Over his 18 years of experience, he has worked at two well respected plaintiff's law firms in Savannah and most recently launched his own firm representing plaintiffs throughout Georgia. He has received numerous recognitions during his professional career including an AV Preeminent Rating by Martindale-Hubbell, the highest peer rating given to attorneys for their professional excellence, legal expertise, communication skills, and ethical standards by their peers. Additionally, Mr. Thomas has been recognized as a Super Lawyer by Georgia Super Lawyers, a Rising Star by Georgia Super Lawyers and named as a Top 25 Medical Malpractice Trial Lawyers by The National Trial Lawyers.

Caroline Monsewicz is an attorney with Tobin Injury Law. She is proud to be a trial lawyer and has dedicated her career to representing her clients with passion and determination. Like the rest of the Tobin Injury Law team, Ms. Monsewicz sees clients as people; not as case numbers. Armed with knowledge of the industry, she analyzes cases with the goal to get clients the best possible result. If a case should settle, Ms. Monsewicz will work to resolve the case as quickly as possible. Before joining Tobin Injury Law, she practiced with a well-respected insurance defense firm in Atlanta, where she defended various personal injury cases, including automobile crashes, truck crashes, and high-exposure insurance coverage disputes. Ms. Monsewicz uses her insider's knowledge of the insurance law industry to now advocate for deserving families. Ms. Monsewicz earned her B.A. degree, summa cum laude, from Marshall University and her J.D. degree from Emory University School of Law.

Darren Tobin is the founder of Tobin Injury Law. In 2019 after having won headline verdicts and settlements that for years, including a \$150 million dollar jury verdict, he formed Tobin Injury Law dedicated exclusively to pursuing justice for injured victims. Some of Mr. Tobin's more notable wins include winning in 2022 a hard-fought two-week jury trial in federal court that resulted in a \$100 million dollar jury verdict. That landmark verdict is one of the, if not the, largest verdicts ever recorded in United States history for a civil rights violation. Also in 2022, he set a record for securing the highest settlement amount ever reached in a rural Georgia county. In 2023 after three years of legal battle, he settled just before trial a disputed liability wrongful death trucking case for \$22.7 million dollars. Finally, in 2024 he won a \$1.6 million jury trial verdict which set the record for the largest jury verdict in Georgia history for a bicycle-on-bicycle accident. Mr. Tobin is regularly honored as one of the top lawyers in the country and has been named a "Super Lawyer" by *Super Lawyers Magazine* and *Atlanta Magazine*. He has also been recognized as one of the State's "Legal Elite" by *Georgia Trend Magazine*, and *Georgia Trend Magazine* previously named him Georgia's most popular personal injury attorney. At 35, Mr. Tobin was selected by the *Daily Report* as one of Georgia's "On the Rise," one of only 20 lawyers in Georgia to receive the honor. He holds an AV Preeminent Peer Rating as well as an AV Preeminent Judicial Rating from Martindale-Hubbell, and *U.S. News & World Report* lists him in the "Best Lawyers" category. Mr. Tobin earned his B.A. degree, *magna cum laude*, from the University of Georgia and his J.D. degree from the University of Georgia School of Law.

Billy Newcomb is a partner with Werdesheim & Newcomb. He is a seasoned litigator specializing in professional liability. For the majority of his career, Mr. Newcomb has handled complex matters arising from allegations of negligent and intentional misconduct by attorneys, accountants, trustees, dentists, real estate agents, insurance agents, and other professionals. He has successfully tried cases involving claims for legal malpractice, breach of fiduciary duty, breach of contract, defamation, and fraud. Mr. Newcomb has regularly represented attorneys, accountants, and real estate agents in connection with investigations by professional review boards and agencies. He is often retained before litigation to assess and control his clients' exposure to potential legal risks and assist with the development of internal risk management policies and procedures. Mr. Newcomb also has significant experience drafting and negotiating commercial leases, asset purchase agreements, nondisclosure agreements, restrictive covenants, employment agreements, buy- and sell-side access letters, and other transactional documents. He is a rare native of Metro Atlanta. Before returning to Georgia, he worked for several prominent and well-respected defense firms in Florida and New York. Mr. Newcomb has been recognized as a SuperLawyer® and Best Lawyer in America® numerous times by his peers. He frequently lectures on litigation techniques at Georgia State University School of Law. In 2014, Mr. Newcomb was one of 25 attorneys in the United States selected to the American Bar Association's TIPS Leadership Academy. The Leadership Academy's stated mission is to serve the public by providing participants with the knowledge and skills necessary to lead the legal profession as well as the general community. He served on various ABA/TIPS task forces and committees over the years. Mr. Newcomb is a member of the Georgia and Florida Bars and is admitted to practice in state and federal trial and appellate courts.

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