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LELAND S. SMITH, III (Leland) was born in Jackson, Mississippi in 1957. He received his

Bachelor of Arts degree cum laude from Millsaps College in 1980 and his Doctor of Jurisprudence from the University of Mississippi in 1982. He was a member of Omicron Delta Kappa leadership honorary and Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity. He is currently a member of the Hinds County, the Mississippi Bar, the Tennessee Bar and the American Bar Associations and is also a member of the Mississippi Defense Lawyers Association. Mr. Smith has a general defense practice including litigation in both state and federal courts and before the Mississippi Workers' Compensation Commission.

**Current Employment Position(s):**

- Shareholder

**Bar Admissions:**

- Mississippi, 1982
- U.S. Court of Appeals Fifth Circuit, 1982
- U.S. District Court Northern District of Mississippi, 1982
- U.S. District Court Southern District of Mississippi, 1982
- U.S. Federal Court, 1982
- U.S. Supreme Court, 1982
- Tennessee, 2012

**Education:**

- University of Mississippi School of Law, Oxford, Mississippi, 1982
  - Juris Doctor
- Millsaps College, 1980
  - Bachelor of Arts
  - Honors: Cum Laude
  - Honors: Member, Omicron Delta Kappa Leadership Honorary

**Professional Associations and Memberships:**

- Capitol Bar Association
- Mississippi Bar Association

- American Bar Association
- Mississippi Defense Lawyers Association

**Honors and Awards:**

- Super Lawyers: 2010 - present
- Super Lawyers, Mid South Top 50: 2011 - present
- AV Preeminent Peer Review Rating from Martindale Hubbell
- Top Lawyers in Mississippi: 2012 - present

**Recent Decisions**

- Smith Obtains Summary Judgment
- Leland Smith Wins Workers Compensation Death Case
- Leland Smith and Robert Stephenson Win Summary Judgment in Slip and Fall Case
- Smith, Stephenson Win Reversal of Order
- Smith Gets Case Dismissed

**Practice Areas**

- General Liability
  - Insurance Policy Coverage Opinions and Disputes
  - Motor Vehicle Defense
  - Premises Liability
  - Products Liability
  - Workers' Compensation Defense
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