

Motor Vehicle Defense

Motor Vehicle liability defense was a practice area upon which Wilkins Patterson was founded and it continues to be a fundamental practice area today. Our attorneys represent insureds in all types of accidents, regardless of how simple or complex they may be.

By developing a collaborative relationship with our clients, we are able to get involved early in the investigation process following an accident or incident. This allows us to work with our clients to ensure evidence is collected or preserved, and also affords our clients the benefits of the attorney-client and attorney-work product privilege while the investigation is in its infancy. This emphasis on early attorney involvement is particularly important when the accident at issue resulted in serious injury with possible high liability exposure.

If litigation develops, it is the firm's philosophy to provide an aggressive defense at trial for our clients including the retention of expert witnesses to address both liability and damages. Our years of experience in defending motor vehicle accidents has afforded us the opportunity to identify a variety of experts for a successful defense. This includes accident reconstructionists, vocational rehabilitation counselors, and economists, as well as medical doctors specialized in the multitude of medical issues that can arise in motor vehicle accident claims.

Wilkins Patterson handles both automobile claims as well as intrastate and interstate motor carriers. Our attorneys are well versed in handling numerous aspects of the transportation field, including issues involving initial accident investigation and claims, personal injury or wrongful death claims, workers' compensation claims, contribution and indemnification claims, policy stacking and insurance coverage disputes.



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Attorneys Practicing Within This Area:

- Sandra T. Doty
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Significant Wins:

- Smith Obtains Summary Judgment
- Smith Wins Verdict in MVA Case