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Litigation
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Walter F. George School of Law,
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Bar Admissions

Georgia

Anita Wallace Thomas is a partner of Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP in Atlanta where she practices in litigation involving general commercial litigation, product liability, pharmaceutical litigation, employment litigation and toxic tort. Ms. Thomas has a vast amount of experience in all aspects of product liability litigation. Ms. Thomas and the firm's automotive litigation group represent vehicle, tire and equipment manufacturers in product liability actions across the United States. She has served as trial counsel and MDL counsel in pharmaceutical and toxic tort cases across the country.

She also has successfully defended clients against charges of employment discrimination, harassment and wrongful discharge, and represents employers in all aspects of hiring, employing and firing employees.

A member of the State Bar of Georgia and its Women and Minorities in the Profession Committee, Ms. Thomas is admitted to practice before the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals and the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia. In addition to arguing cases before the Georgia Court of Appeals, Ms. Thomas has served as lead counsel in more than 50 jury trials held in the superior and state courts of Georgia, and has tried employment cases in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia.

Ms. Thomas is a member of the American Bar Association (Labor and Employment Section), the Atlanta Bar Association, and the Gate City Bar Association. Ms. Thomas is a member of the Georgia Association of Black Women Attorneys and its executive board, having served as association president in 2000. She also serves on the board for the National Association of Women Lawyers (2007-08). Additionally, Ms. Thomas is a member of the National Bar Association.

Active in civic affairs, Ms. Thomas is a member of the board of directors of the Southwest Atlanta YMCA and the board of trustees of the Atlanta Youth Academy. Additionally, she serves on the advisory board of the Atlanta Legal Aid Society. Prior to joining Nelson Mullins, Ms. Thomas was affiliated with another leading Atlanta firm. From 1990-95, Ms. Thomas served as an assistant district attorney, prosecuting felonies for the Fulton County District Attorney's Office.

In 1989, Ms. Thomas earned a Juris Doctor from the Walter F. George School of Law at Mercer University. In 1986, she earned a Bachelor of Arts in English from Spelman College.