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Biography

For more than 30 years, Edward Krugman has successfully represented plaintiffs and defendants in a wide range of legal matters, including trade secrets, unfair competition, intellectual property, antitrust, employment, and corporate governance litigation and counseling. He has significant experience representing direct selling, manufacturing, and financial services companies.

Recognized by Chambers USA as a leading lawyer in general commercial litigation and antitrust, Edward has also been honored by Super Lawyers since 2004. He is a frequent lecturer and has published articles on trial practice and corporate litigation, including topics such as covenants not to compete and internal investigations.

Representative Matters

- Represented defendant in a breach of contract and fraud case brought by representatives of a major direct selling company seeking over \$10 million. The district court granted summary judgment on the plaintiff's claims, and the case settled after a trial on the defendant's attorney's fees claim.
- Served as lead counsel in AAA arbitration for a family-owned business against its exclusive distributor, alleging breach of contract and Lanham Act violations. The panel awarded over \$1

million in damages, attorney's fees, and injunctive relief.

- Defended a public company and two employees accused of stealing trade secrets in lawsuits filed across three jurisdictions. All claims were eventually dismissed.
- Contributed to a trial team that secured a jury verdict for the defendant in a breach of contract and fiduciary duty case seeking over \$100 million in damages. The Eleventh Circuit upheld the judgment on appeal.
- Co-represented defendants in an antitrust class action by cigarette purchasers against major tobacco companies. The district court granted summary judgment for the defendants, which was affirmed by the Eleventh Circuit.
- Represented a major telecommunications company in a breach of contract dispute with its exclusive supplier of consumer electronics. The court upheld the exclusivity covenant, leading to a settlement where the client received \$200 million.
- Acted as co-counsel and liaison counsel for defendants in a nationwide consumer class action involving price fixing in the domestic airline industry. The case settled favorably.
- Led defense for former officers and directors of a public company in a class action by shareholders. The district court granted a motion to dismiss under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act, with the Eleventh Circuit affirming.
- Co-counseled a copyright case involving home design infringement, settling for over \$18 million.
- Served as co-counsel on a state habeas case challenging the conviction of a death row inmate in Georgia. The Georgia Supreme Court reversed the conviction, and the inmate was released after the DA chose not to retry the case.
- Represented a female plaintiff in a Title VII claim after being denied a partnership promotion at a major Atlanta law firm. The district court dismissed the complaint, but the Supreme Court reversed the dismissal, holding Title VII applies to law firm partnership decisions.
- Led defense for a former employee sued by a public insurance company for breaching restrictive covenants. The case settled after favorable rulings in federal courts in Georgia and New York.

Professional Activities

- State Bar of Georgia, Antitrust, General Practice and Trial, Labor and Employment, Intellectual Property and Computer Law Sections, Member
- State Bar of Georgia, Board of Governors
- State Bar of Georgia, Formal Advisory Opinion Board
- State Bar of Georgia, Disciplinary Rules and Procedures Committee
- Atlanta Bar Association, Litigation, Intellectual Property, and Labor and Employment Sections, Member
- American Bar Association, Antitrust, Business, Intellectual Property, and Litigation Sections, Member
- Anti-Defamation League, Southeast Region, Board of Directors
- Lawyers Club of Atlanta, President, 2013 – 2014; First Vice-President and President-Elect, 2012 –

2013; Second Vice-President, 2011 - 2012; Treasurer, 2010 - 2011; Secretary, 2009 - 2010; Executive Committee

- Lumpkin Inn of Court, Master
- Lawyers Foundation of Georgia, Fellow
- American Bar Foundation, Fellow
- Atlanta Bar Foundation, Fellow
- Emory Law School, Trial Advocacy Program, Adjunct Professor
- Midtown Alliance Leadership Program
- Atlanta Ballet, Board of Trustees
- WCLK Radio Station, Clark-Atlanta University, Board of Advisors
- Pro Bono Roundtable, Firm Representative
- United Way Campaign, Firm Chair

Honors & Awards

- Georgia Super Lawyer, 2004 - 2026

Credentials

Education

- University of Georgia School of Law, J.D., 1979, Summa Cum Laude
 - Order of the Coif
 - Phi Kappa Phi
 - Editorial Board and Articles Editor, Georgia Law Review
 - Northwestern University, Weinberg College of Arts and Science, B.A., 1975
- University of Wisconsin Liberal Arts Study Center, Copenhagen, Denmark, 1973-1974

Previous Experience

- Law Clerk, Judge H. Emory Widener, Jr., U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit

Admissions

- State Bar of Georgia
- Supreme Court of Georgia
- Georgia Court of Appeals
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit
- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Georgia
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia