



## Jason J. Carter

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### Biography

Jason Carter represents clients in high-stakes trial and appellate business litigation, including breach of contract, class actions, business torts, and other complex commercial cases.

Representing plaintiffs, Jason has secured some of the largest verdicts and settlements in Georgia history, including multiple recoveries in excess of \$100 million. Representing defendants, he has achieved numerous defense victories in highly complex cases.

Jason's expertise in intellectual property includes litigating common law intellectual property, trademark, trade secret, and patent disputes. Jason is also a leader in the firm's corporate recoveries practice, where he helps companies identify, evaluate, and pursue revenue-generating opportunities through the legal department.

Over his career, Jason has often had the honor of representing his fellow lawyers and some of the most prestigious law firms in Georgia and elsewhere.

Jason combines a successful litigation practice with a strong commitment to public service. Among other activities, Jason chairs the Carter Center's Board of Trustees. From 2010 to 2015, he served in the Georgia State Senate, and he was the 2014 Democratic nominee for Governor of Georgia.

Jason has been named to Georgia Trend's list of the 100 Most Influential Georgians and has consistently been recognized as a Super Lawyer. Jason has received numerous other awards for his legal work and community service, including the Anti-Defamation League's Stuart Eizenstat

## Representative Matters

- Served as class counsel in numerous class actions, including recent recoveries for his clients of more than \$110 million (teacher retirement benefits in *Gold v. DeKalb County School Board*) and \$80 million (life insurance beneficiaries in *Owens v. MetLife*).
- Represented David McDavid in obtaining a \$281 million jury verdict against Turner Broadcasting System (TBS) for breaching an agreement to sell McDavid the Atlanta Hawks, the Atlanta Thrashers, and the operating rights to Philips Arena. The jury verdict is one of the largest compensatory damage awards in Georgia history.
- Represented a global real estate investment company in successfully defending multi-million dollar claims brought by other investors in one of Atlanta's highest profile real estate developments.
- Successfully defended one of Atlanta's largest law firms in a lawsuit seeking \$20 million in damages. Plaintiffs recovered nothing and paid attorney's fees.
- Representing clients in multiple class actions seeking hundreds of millions of dollars involving terminated employment benefits and bank overdraft fees.
- Represented a consortium of health insurers on appeal in the Eleventh Circuit and secured the reversal of an adverse decision arising out of a complex antitrust class action.
- Represented the National Football League Players Association in obtaining summary judgment on a \$20 million claim allegedly arising out of the NFLPA's Financial Advisors Program.

## Professional Activities

- The Carter Center, Chairman
- Georgia Bar Foundation, Trustee
- Georgia Appleseed Young Professionals Council, Founding Chair
- Women's Resource Center to End Domestic Violence, Former Board Member
- Hands On Atlanta, Former Board Member
- United States Peace Corps Volunteer, Lochiel, South Africa, 1998 - 2000

## Honors & Awards

- Legal 500, Atlanta City Elite, 2025
- Georgia Super Lawyer, 2016 - 2025
- Georgia Rising Star, 2007; 2009 - 2010; 2012 - 2015
- Anti-Defamation League, Stuart Eizenstat Award
- Atlanta Business Chronicle, 40 Under 40

- UGA Alumni Association, 40 Under 40
- Daily Report, On The Rise, 2009

## Credentials

### Education

- University of Georgia School of Law, J.D., 2004, Summa Cum Laude
  - Order of the Coif
  - Articles Editor, Georgia Law Review
  - West Award for Academic Excellence
- Duke University, B.A., 1997

### Previous Experience

- Law Clerk, Judge Frank Mays Hull, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, 2004-2005

### Admissions

- State Bar of Georgia
- Supreme Court of Georgia
- Georgia Court of Appeals
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Georgia
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia

## Thought Leadership

- Keynote Speaker, 9th Annual Southern Solar Summit
- Speaker, International Association of Defense Counsel Midyear Meeting
- Speaker, State Bar of Georgia Legislative Forum
- Panelist, "Lawyer Lawmakers" at the Lamar Inn of Courts
- Co-author, "Christian Faith and Political Life: A Dialogue" – *41 Ga. Law R. 65, Fall 2006*
- Co-author, "Striking out in the Batson Box: A Guide to Nondiscriminatory Jury Selection in Georgia" – *Georgia Bar Journal, December 2002*
- Author, "Power Lines: Two Years on South Africa's Borders" – *National Geographic Books, 2002*