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Biography

Mickey Mixson represents individuals and corporations in a wide variety of business disputes. He has successfully presented hundreds of complex commercial disputes to juries, arbitration panels, and judges, gaining a reputation for success with cases considered "unwinnable" by others.

Mickey's areas of focus include business torts, corporate governance, partnership and fiduciary disputes, insurance coverage and bad faith litigation, attorney and accountant liability, RICO, tender offers, and proxy and securities litigation. In recent years, he has recovered awards and settlements for clients totaling well over \$2 billion. He has an equally successful record on the defense side, having obtained summary judgments, dismissals, and defense verdicts for numerous major claims.

Mickey is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, a Fellow in the International Academy of Trial Lawyers, and recognized by Chambers USA as one of the top commercial litigators in Georgia.

Mickey is a frequent lecturer and has published numerous articles on trial practice and business litigation issues such as the effective use of experts, presenting persuasive opening and closing arguments, and the ACC Value Challenge.

Representative Matters

- Co-counsel for the plaintiffs, Six Flags Over Georgia, in a breach of fiduciary duty case against Time Warner Entertainment, which resulted in a \$454 million jury verdict, then Georgia's largest, affirmed on appeal.
- Lead counsel representing David McDavid in obtaining a \$281 million jury verdict against Turner Broadcasting System for breaching an agreement to sell McDavid the Atlanta Hawks, the Atlanta Thrashers, and the operating rights to Philips Arena.
- Lead counsel for the plaintiff class in *Abdallah v. Coca-Cola Co.*, the largest private class action racial discrimination settlement in history, which settled for \$192.5 million.
- Achieved a settlement in a contract dispute case between a leading transportation company and a major supplier, resulting in \$200+ million recovery for our client.
- Represented several groups of individuals asserting related professional liability claims involving tax shelters, recovering more than \$350 million through a combination of settlements and awards.
- Successfully defended a major regional accounting firm from professional malpractice, fraud, and RICO claims, winning summary judgment on all counts.
- Successfully defended Farley Industries in a dissenters' rights case before the Georgia Supreme Court, a decision of first impression which has become the seminal case on dissenters' rights in Georgia.
- Represented one of the largest real estate developers in the United States in the withdrawal of a major regional partner from hundreds of partnerships, including coordinating and successfully concluding simultaneous litigation in multiple forums.
- Represented Novelis Corporation in a contract dispute with the consortium representing Coca-Cola bottlers. Novelis, the world's leading producer of aluminum rolled products, supplies aluminum can sheet to Coke, which alleged that Novelis had violated the terms of their supply agreement's most-favored-nation provision. After three years of discovery and proceedings, the Superior Court in Fulton County, Georgia, granted summary judgment in favor of Novelis.
- Successfully defended a major airline client in an international arbitration proceeding, recovering more than \$40 million on its counterclaims.

Professional Activities

- Georgia Lawyers for the Arts, Board of Directors, Past President and Member
- American College of Trial Lawyers, Fellow
- International Academy of Trial Lawyers, Fellow
- American Bar Foundation, Member
- Atlanta Bar Association, Litigation Section, Member
- State Bar of Georgia, Antitrust, Corporate and Banking, General Practice, and Trial Law Sections, Member
- American Bar Association, Business and Litigation Sections, Member

- American Bar Association, Commercial and Banking Litigation and Business Tort Litigation Committees, Member
- International Network of Boutique Law Firms, Atlanta Chapter, Past President
- International Network of Boutique Law Firms, Director and Executive Committee, Member
- Lawyers Club of Atlanta, Member

Honors & Awards

- Benchmark Litigation, Litigation Star; Top 100 Trial Lawyers, 2015
- Georgia Super Lawyer, 2004 - 2026; Top 100: 2004 - 2005, 2007 - 2011
- Georgia's Legal Elite, 2003 - 2025
- Best Lawyers in America, 2003 - 2025; Lawyer of the Year, Atlanta, 2012, 2017, 2025, 2026
- Trial Lawyers for Public Justice, Trial Lawyer of the Year Award, Finalist
- National Law Journal, Profile, 12 U.S. Lawyers with Recent Wins and Proven Track Records, 2008
- Lawdragon, 500 Leading Plaintiffs' Lawyers in America
- Who's Who Legal, Leading Litigator

Credentials

Education

- Harvard Law School, J.D., 1974, Cum Laude
 - Editor, Harvard Law Review
 - Phi Beta Kappa
 - Phi Eta Sigma
- Washington & Lee University, B.A., 1970, magna cum laude, Honors with exceptional distinction in English

Admissions

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