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Kathryn Lehman is a trial lawyer in King & Spalding’s Atlanta office. She is a member of the Tort Litigation and Environmental Group. Ms. Lehman focuses her practice on high-risk cases involving punitive damages. She has defended clients in the consumer products, professional services, food service and transportation industries.

Ms. Lehman divides her time between preparing cases for trial and trying cases. Ms. Lehman is an expert at conducting goal-driven discovery, including fact and expert discovery. She has spent significant time studying plaintiffs' trial strategies, so that she is able to employ those same strategies on behalf of her clients. She leverages her trial experience to help clients achieve their goals, whether their goal is an advantageous settlement, dispositive motion or trial.

Ms. Lehman has worked on trial teams that have tried more than two dozen cases to verdict over the last decade. She is skilled at developing trial strategy, including pre-trial motions practice, voir dire, opening statement, direct and cross examination, and closing argument.

Matters

Gay v. R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company (three-week trial in Hillsborough County, Florida, March 2018, defense verdict).

Kogan v. R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company (three-week trial in Palm Beach County, Florida, May-June 2017, defense verdict).

Hackimer v. R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company (three-week trial in Palm Beach County, August-September 2016, defense verdict).

Shulman v. R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company (six-week trial in Palm Beach County, Florida, October-November 2015, defense verdict).

Gray v. R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company (three-week trial in Escambia County, Florida, May 2015, defense verdict).

Webb v. R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company (two-week re-trial of amount of compensatory and punitive damages only in Levy County, Florida, November 2014, original verdict amount reduced)

by 98%).

Banks v. R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company (four-week trial in Broward County, Florida, February 2014, defense verdict).

Clark v. R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company (two-week trial in Alachua County, Florida, June 2013, defense verdict).

In Re: Tobacco Litigation (Individual Personal Injury Cases) (five-week mass tort trial in West Virginia, April-May 2013).

Cumbess v. R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company (three-week trial in Suwanee County, Florida, November-December 2012, defense verdict).

Credentials

EDUCATION

J.D., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, with honors

B.A., Economics, North Carolina State University, summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa

ADMISSIONS

Supreme Court of the United States

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina

U.S. District Court for the Middle District of North Carolina

U.S. District Court for the Western District of North Carolina

U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida

U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida

Florida

Georgia

North Carolina

Insights

ARTICLE

May 8, 2020 • Source: Defense Research Institute
Social Media in Litigation

CLIENT ALERT

Florida Passes Law Limiting COVID-19 Lawsuits

May 11, 2020

The Coming Wave of Remote Depositions

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Events

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

November 4, 2021

Kathryn Lehman to Speak at Asbestos Medicine Seminar

January 28, 2021

Kathryn Lehman to Speak on a Panel About Defending Against Punitive Damages

WEBINAR

September 9, 2021

14th Annual King & Spalding Medical Device Summit

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News

IN THE NEWS

April 13, 2021 • Source: Law360

Scott Edson and Kathryn Lehman advise a group of detainees in three South Florida facilities on its class action settlement with the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement over the agency's response to COVID-19

April 27, 2020 • Source: Bloomberg Law, Miami Herald, Tyler Morning Telegraph, el Nuevo Herald and Law360

K&S advises detainees in three South Florida facilities in federal court

August 9, 2019 • Source: Courtroom View Network

Kathryn Lehman's closing argument in a recently successful R.J. Reynolds trial is highlighted as "masterful."

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