

## Victoria C Smith

Senior Associate  
*Trial and Global Disputes*

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Victoria's practice focuses on defending product manufacturers in the tobacco, pharmaceutical, and automotive industries in nationwide product liability and personal injury litigation. Victoria has also provided guidance to corporate clients on e-discovery issues, including review of records management policies and litigation preparedness.

Specifically, Victoria manages high-exposure cases at varying stages of discovery and collaborates with her peers to competently and strategically prepare cases for trial. She has taken several depositions, worked with experts to develop an understanding of the health outcomes of products, and actively participated in several multi-week jury trials to verdict. Promoting diversity and inclusion efforts is also an integral part of Victoria's practice, as is representing pro bono clients in the juvenile justice and domestic violence spaces.

Victoria received her B.A. in political science, concentration in American Government, in 2005 from Yale University. She received her J.D. from Harvard Law School in 2010, where she served on the General Board of the Harvard Civil Rights - Civil Liberties Law Review.

### Matters

Represented international corporations in products matters involving alleged harm as a result of exposure to asbestos.

Represented a high-growth specialty retailer in South Carolina federal personal injury actions involving allegations of burn injuries resulting from the use of firepot and gel fuel products.

Served as a member of King & Spalding's national coordination team for **AstraZeneca** overseeing lawsuits involving over 1,200 plaintiffs who allege injury from the ingestion of Crestor®. This litigation involved claims that treatment with Crestor® caused or contributed to the development of diabetes, rhabdomyolysis, renal damage, and cardiovascular injuries.

Defended an international automobile manufacturer in complex product liability and personal injury actions involving vehicle rollovers, wheel defect, and crashworthiness claims

Served as part of the national coordinating and trial counsel team representing **GlaxoSmithKline (GSK)** in nationwide litigation concerning allegations of cardiac and other injuries arising from use of the company's antidepressant.

Active member of the trial team representing **R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company** in numerous *Engle* progeny personal injury/wrongful death cases pending in Florida.

## Credentials

### EDUCATION

J.D., Harvard University

B.A. Political Science, Yale University

### ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia

Florida

Georgia

## Recognition

“Top 40 Under 40” List

NATIONAL BLACK LAWYERS, 2019 - 2020

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## Insights

### ARTICLE

*July 26, 2019 • Source: Law360*

5 Ways to Confront Potential Deepfake Evidence in Court

*June 26, 2016 • Source: American Bar Association*

Epidemi-What?: A Primer on the Use of Epidemiology In Tort Litigation