#### **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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Top Rated Lawyer Annual Guide to Labor and Employment Law 2011, 2014;

Martindale-Hubbell AV Rating; National Super Lawyer; National Law Journal Top Attorney in Georgia;

Fellow, College of Workers' Compensation Lawyers;
Academy of Distinguished Neutrals

#### **Practice**

Moore, Clarke, DuVall & Rodgers, P.C.

As a founding partner of the firm, Ms. Clarke defends individuals and business entities in civil litigation with an emphasis in personal injury, employment, and workers' compensation claims. With offices located in Albany, Atlanta and Valdosta, Savannah, and strong connections to Columbus, Ms. Clarke is able to assist clients in a cost-effective manner throughout the State.

Ms. Clarke has also served as approved counsel for most well - known insurance companies as well as many self-insured companies since 1983. Such actions include, but are not limited to, personal injury, coverage issues, construction, mold, and other commonly insured claims.

#### **Employment and Workers' Compensation**

From the enactment of the original ADA in 1993, Ms. Clarke has advised clients in matters dealing with employment claims as new Acts were passed into law, be it ADA, FMLA, sexual harassment, race discrimination and the like. Also, her workers' compensation experience goes back to day one of her practice. She has represented clients in thousands of workers' compensation disputes.

#### **Mediation and Arbitration**

Ms. Clarke is a registered mediator and arbitrator who understands the role and goals of a neutral in disputes. As a certified mediator, she has participated in hundreds of mediations -most of which have been successfully resolved. Through *Mediated Dispute Resolutions, LLC*, Ms. Clarke currently serves as a neutral in dispute resolution throughout the state and out of state when needed. With MDR offices in Atlanta, Albany, Savannah, Valdosta, Perry, Brunswick, and close ties to Columbus, she travels throughout the state at the request of the parties. While she offers spacious caucus rooms in all of her office locations, she travels to the office of any party upon request.

#### Special Appointment by the Georgia Attorneys General

Ms. Clarke is currently serving as a Special Assistant Attorney General at the pleasure of Attorney General Sam Olens; she served with Attorney General Thurbert Baker; and she served in this capacity with Attorney General Mike Bowers. As a SAAG, Ms. Clarke represents the State of Georgia in tort, construction, and workers' compensation actions.

#### **Professor**

Darton College, Albany, Georgia.

Guest professor for paralegal certification, Darton College, Albany, Georgia

#### **Continuing Legal Education Seminars**

Ms. Clarke has been a regular speaker for the *Institute for Continuing Legal Education (ICLE)* seminars throughout Georgia. These presentations involve the preparation of a substantive paper, oral presentation as well as question and answer sessions with the attending audience.

#### **Professional Positions and Activities**

Ms. Clarke has also had the honor of serving as the Chair of the Insurance Law Institute, Co-Chair of the Workers' Compensation Institute, Chair of the Tort and Insurance Practice Section of the State Bar, and Chair of the Workers' Compensation Section of the State Bar.

Ms. Clarke has been published in *the GEORGIA SELF-INSUREDS' ASSOCIATION DIGEST, THE GEORGIA BAR JOURNAL, THE GEORGIA DEFENSE LAWYERS JOURNAL, THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION BAR NEWSLETTER*, and other legal publications. As a member of the Atlanta Claims Association, Ms. Clarke has participated in seminars and other events, and for several years, she has provided workers' compensation and employment law updates for the *CLAIMSCENE*, an ACA monthly publication.

Ms. Clarke has served on the faculty of the National Business Institute and Lorman Business Services, speaking on various employment law topics such as workers' compensation, ADA, FMLA, and discrimination. She also has been asked by the Georgia Department of Labor, Georgia Health, Environmental and Safety Conference, the Atlanta Bar Association, the Georgia Self-Insureds Association, the Georgia Bar Association, the Georgia Defense Lawyers' Association, Group Funds Association, and individual employers to serve as a speaker on topics ranging from age diversity, safety programs, cost analysis and more.

Ms. Clarke has served on the faculty of the Georgia Trial Academy created to train young lawyers in courtroom techniques. Ms. Clarke has also volunteered to assist the Subsequent Injury Trust Fund in its sunset efforts. As member of the Sunset Advisory Committee, she was a regular presenter along with SITF officials on the financial status of the Fund.

### State Board of Workers' Compensation Annual and Regional Seminars

As a workers' compensation practitioner, Ms. Clarke regularly serves as a speaker at the annual or regional seminars sponsored by the State Board of Workers' Compensation. Additionally, she has had the honor of being chosen to serve on the Workers' Compensation Advisory Council where she served as the Chairman of the Public Education Committee for over 20 years. This committee assists the Board personnel in developing the State Board of Workers' Compensation Regional Education Series which are presented throughout the State of Georgia. She currently serves on the Licensure Committee. She also served on Governor Barnes Workers' Compensation Commission.

## **Employment Law Seminars**

As an employment law practitioner, Ms. Clarke has represented county governments as well as large and small employers throughout the State. She has attended national and international business conferences presenting substantive papers and presentations on topics such as ADA, FMLA, Title VII discrimination claims, workers' compensation, and other issues of interest to businesses, large and small. She is a regular presenter at the Georgia Safety, Health and Environmental Conference as well as conferences sponsored by the Georgia Department of Labor.

#### Safety, Environment and OHSA Training

Ms. Clarke has presented many employers with training programs ranging from safety in the poultry plant to hazards in the construction industry. Employers from all areas of manufacturing such as mobile home construction, commercial developments, airplane assembly, meat processing facilities, equipment manufacturing and more, have sought Ms. Clarke's expertise in safety and environmental hazard training. Ms. Clarke is a regular speaker at the Georgia Health, Environmental & Safety Conference held yearly by the State of Georgia. She is also a guest lecturer for the Department of Labor.

#### Georgia Defense Lawyers Association

As a former member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Defense Lawyers Association, Ms. Clarke shared her experience on issues specific to the Defense Bar.

#### SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

Academy of Distinguished Neutrals, member

Fellow, National College of Workers' Compensation Lawyers

Special Assistant Attorney General, Attorney General Sam Olens

Special Assistant Attorney General, Attorney General Thurbert Baker

Special Assistant Attorney General, Attorney General Michael J. Bowers

Super Lawyer Designation

Subsequent Injury Trust Fund Advisory Committee

Tort and Insurance Practice Section, Chair

Workers' Compensation Advisory Commission, Governor Roy E. Barnes

Workers' Compensation Advisory Council, Chairman James W. Oxendine

Public Education Committee, member

Workers' Compensation Advisory Council, Chairman Harrill E. Dawkins

Public Education Committee, Chair

Public Awareness Committee, Chair

Workers' Compensation Advisory Council, Chairman Carolyn C. Hall

Public Education Committee, Chair

Workers' Compensation Advisory Council, Chairman Rick Thompson

Workers' Compensation Section, Chair

Workers' Compensation Advisory Council, Chairman Frank McKay

Public Education Committee, past Chair

Licensure 7 Self-Insured Committee, member

#### PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

American Bar Association, past Member
College of Workers' Compensation Lawyers
Fellow, State of Georgia
State Bar of Georgia, Member

Dispute Resolution Section, Member

General Practice and Trial Section, Member

Judicial Nominating Committee, past Co-Chair

Insurance Law Institute, past Chair

Insurance Law Section, past Secretary/Treasurer

Labor and Employment Law Section, Member

Tort and Insurance Practice Section, Member

Tort and Insurance Practice Section, past Chair

Workers' Compensation Institute, Co-Chair

Workers' Compensation Law Section, Chair

Workers' Compensation Section, Executive Committee

Georgia Self Insurers Association

**Group Fund Association** 

Georgia Trial Lawyers Association, Associate Member

Georgia Defense Lawyers Association, Member

Board of Directors, past and present Member

Law Journal, past Chair

Workers' Compensation Committee, past Chair

Workers' Compensation Committee, Member

Technology Committee, Member

Membership Committee, Member

Georgia Association for Women Lawyers, Member

Past Secretary/Treasurer, Albany

Past Membership Chair, Albany Defense Research Institute, past Member

Dougherty Bar Association, Member

Past Editor

Atlanta Bar Association, Member

Lawyers Club of Atlanta, Member

#### OTHER ACTIVITIES AND RECOGNITIONS

Atlanta Claims Association, Member and Lecturer

Atlanta Humane Society

Atlanta Pet Rescue

Darton College, Albany, Georgia

**Guest Professor** 

Sponsor, Lady Cavaliers

Special Recognition Service Award 1999

Lady Cavaliers Booster

Dougherty County Humane Society, former Board of Directors

Georgia Self-Insurers' Association, Member and Guest Columnist/Speaker

Girls', Inc., Sponsor

Kids' Chance, Volunteer

Special Recognition Service Award 2005

Valdosta State University Foundation, Member Planning Giving Council, Member YMCA

Various committees and volunteer work

#### **BAR ADMISSIONS**

United States Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit
United States District Court, Middle District of Georgia
Supreme Court of Georgia
Court of Appeals of Georgia

### **EDUCATION**

Mercer University

Walter F. George School of Law, Macon, Georgia: J.D. 1983

Recipient of various awards and honors

References, representative clients, and additional information available upon request.