

# NEAL W. DICKERT

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## **PRESENT EMPLOYMENT**

Hull Towill Norman Barrett & Salley, P.C. – January 2008 to present.  
Practice concentrated in general civil and commercial litigation, arbitration and mediation, and appellate work.

## **PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT**

Judge of Superior Court, Augusta Judicial Circuit – January 1997 to November 2007.  
Presided over civil, criminal and domestic cases, to include over 100 jury trials, in this three-county circuit.  
Also participated with the Georgia Supreme Court in the case of Mead v. Sheffield, 278 Ga. 268 (2004).

## **BAR ADMISSIONS**

Hull Towill Norman & Barrett, P.C. – August 1974 to December 1996.  
Practice concentrated in areas such as product liability, personal injury, commercial and construction litigation.  
Tried numerous jury and non-jury trials involving product liability, workers' compensation, F.E.L.A., construction litigation, personal injury negligence, NASD arbitration, contract disputes, and ERISA in the State and Federal courts of Georgia and South Carolina.

South Carolina Bar (1974); Georgia Bar (1975).  
United District Court for the District of South Carolina and for the Southern and Middle Districts of Georgia.  
Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals.

## **MILITARY SERVICE**

1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant, United States Army Medical Service Corps (1969-71).  
Served as Assistant S-4 for Medical Group Headquarters in Vietnam from July 1970 until July 1971.  
Received Bronze Star and Vietnam Service Medal.

## **EDUCATION**

J.D., University of South Carolina, 1974.  
Member of the South Carolina Law Review.  
Member of Wig and Robe Scholastic Honorary Society.  
M.B.A., University of South Carolina, 1969.  
B.A. in Economics, Wofford College, 1968.

## **AWARDS/ COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Board of Governors, Georgia Bar Association (1986 – 1998).  
President of the Augusta Bar Association (1997).  
Chairman of the Board of Elections – Richmond County (1981 – 1990).  
Leadership Augusta participant (1981).  
President of Augusta Rotary Club (1991 – 1992).  
Paul Harris Fellow of Rotary International.  
President of Wofford College Alumni Association (1996 – 1997).  
Alumni Representative to Wofford College Board of Trustees (1996).  
Board of Directors of the University of South Carolina Law School Assoc. (1992 – 1998).  
Senior Warden, Church of the Good Shepherd (2004 – 2007).  
Chairman, Board of Trustees, Institute of Continuing Judicial Education for the State of Georgia (2005 – 2007).  
Chairman, Family Law Committee, Council of Superior Court Judges (2002 – 2003).

## **PUBLICATIONS AND SEMINARS**

Published in the Georgia Defense Lawyer's Journal on Federal Pre-emption under Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act and Intentional Acts Exclusion under Insurance Liability Policies. Author of "From Bench to the Bar", *Georgia Bar Journal*, June, 1999. Published "Opening Statement" in *Verdict* magazine (Georgia Trial Lawyers Association) in Fall, 2001. Author of Georgia Handbook on Foundations and Objections, Thomson-West, 2003, updated annually. Published "Avoiding Judicial Arrogance: a Personal Essay," *Judges' Journal*, Winter, 2005. Also lectured throughout the Southeast at numerous continuing legal education seminars on subjects such as insurance coverage, construction law, domestic relations, trial practice, evidence, trial advocacy, consumer litigation, and ethics. A list of recent seminar presentations is attached. Graduate of National Judicial College General Jurisdiction Course (1998) and served as group facilitator and moderator at the NJC's General Jurisdiction Course in April, 2002.

## **MEDIATION EXPERIENCE**

Trained as mediator in 40-hour course sponsored by Dispute Management in 1994. Successfully completed a number of mediations and arbitrations in areas of personal injury, medical malpractice, consumer litigation, construction litigation, products liability, toxic torts, commercial disputes, contract litigation, domestic disputes and business dissolution.

## **PERSONAL**

Married to the former Floride Clarkson, June 4, 1969. One son, Dr. Neal W. Dickert, Jr., a cardiology fellow at Emory University School of Medicine..

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**RECENT SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS**  
**2003 TO 2009**

“Evidence Update and Dealing with the Courts”; Update on Georgia Law Seminar sponsored by the Institute of Continuing Legal Education; Augusta, Georgia; November, 2007, and December, 2008.

“Family Law Evidence Presentation”; Update on Family Law Seminar sponsored by the Institute of Continuing Legal Education; Augusta, Georgia; October, 2007, 2008.

Multiple presentations on lay witnesses, expert witnesses, opinion testimony and hearsay; Seminars on the *Georgia Handbook on Foundations and Objections* sponsored by the Institute of Continuing Legal Education; Augusta, Georgia, November, 2003; Atlanta, Georgia, February, 2004, 2005, 2007, 2008 and 2009; and Savannah, Georgia, August, 2005.

“Judicial Ethics and Disqualification”; Arkansas Trial Judges Conference; University of Arkansas; Fayetteville, Arkansas; October, 2004.

“Professionalism and Ethics for Trial Lawyers”; Annual Meeting of the Georgia Defense Lawyers’ Association; Hilton Head Island, South Carolina; July, 2003.

“Marital Property, Separate Property and Mixed Property”; Annual Meeting of the Family Law Section of the State Bar of Georgia; Amelia Island, Florida; May, 2003.

“Full Faith and Credit of Family Violence Protective Orders”; Annual Meeting of the Council of Superior Court Judges for the State of Georgia; Savannah, Georgia; January, 2004.

“Family Law Evidence Presentation”; Family Law Seminar sponsored by the Family Law Section of the State Bar of Georgia; Augusta, Georgia; October, 2005.

“Expert Trial Strategy”; *New World of Experts in Georgia* sponsored by the Institute of Continuing Legal Education; Atlanta, Georgia; December, 2005.

“Opening Statements and Closing Arguments”; *Building Blocks to Victory* sponsored by the Institute of Continuing Legal Education; Atlanta, Georgia; December, 2004.