

Joshua K. Chesser

A native of Huntsville, Alabama, **Joshua K. Chesser** is a partner with Smith Cashion & Orr, PLC, where he concentrates his practice on construction and commercial litigation, subrogation, and professional malpractice defense.

Mr. Chesser received a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Auburn University in 2006. While at Auburn, Mr. Chesser was the Vice President of the Tau Sigma honor society, and a participant in the Auburn University Global Business Experience in Central Europe. He also interned in the offices of Congressman Robert "Bud" Cramer, former member of the U.S. House of Representatives from the 5th District of Alabama, and State Senator Ted Little, representing the 27th District of Alabama.

In 2009, Mr. Chesser was awarded his Juris Doctor degree from Tulane University School of Law where he was a managing editor of the Tulane Environmental Law Journal and earned the honors distinction in the Tulane Trial Advocacy Program. While at Tulane, Mr. Chesser represented indigent clients at the Tulane Civil Litigation Clinic and was a member of the Tulane University Legal Assistance Program, the Sports Law Society, and the Tulane Chapter of the American Inns of Court. During law school, Mr. Chesser also clerked for United States Department of Justice and received a certificate in mediation through the Intercultural Negotiation and Mediation program conducted by the Institut für Anwaltsrecht at the Humboldt University Law Faculty in Berlin, Germany.

Mr. Chesser acquired experience in construction accounting, management, and operations during his time spent as an employee of Shelby Contracting, Inc. in Huntsville, Alabama.

Mr. Chesser was admitted to the Tennessee Bar in 2009. He is also admitted to the U.S. District Courts for the Western, Middle, and Eastern Districts of Tennessee, and United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit.

Mr. Chesser was admitted to the Alabama Bar in 2010. He is also admitted to the U.S. District Courts for the Northern and Middle Districts of Alabama.

Mr. Chesser was admitted to the Louisiana Bar in 2012.

Seminars or guest lectures presented by Mr. Chesser include *Liability in the Performance of Building Inspection Duties and Liabilities* and *Pitfalls in the Fire Protection Industry*.

Mr. Chesser has served on the boards of various non-profit organizations in Nashville including the Nashville Jr. Chamber, the Greater Nashville Auburn Club, and Rosebank Neighbors.



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EDUCATION

- B.A., Auburn University, 2006
- J.D., Tulane University Law School, 2009

BAR ADMISSIONS

- United States Supreme Court
- Tennessee Supreme Court
- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Tennessee
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Tennessee
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Tennessee
- United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit
- Alabama Supreme Court
- U.S. District Court for Northern District of Alabama
- U.S. District Court for Middle District of Alabama

HONORS & DISTINCTIONS

- Tulane Law School Environmental Law Journal, Managing Editor
- Trial Advocacy Honors Distinction
- Tulane Sports Law Society, Secretary