

# J. Michael Montgomery

## MEMBER

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Michael focuses his litigation practice in areas involving premises liability, automobile and trucking torts, insurance coverage, and products liability. He also has experience in handling construction matters, defending medical malpractice claims, and litigation involving administrative agencies.

Michael enjoys mentoring first-year law students at the University of South Carolina School of Law and also oversees the firm's Professional Development program. He is president-elect for the John Belton O'Neal Inn of Court, as well as a member of the South Carolina Defense Trial Attorneys' Association and the International Association of Defense Counsel.

Michael grew up in Orangeburg, South Carolina, and graduated from Wofford College, *summa cum laude*, in 2003. He received his law degree from the University of South Carolina School of Law in 2006. Before joining Robinson Gray, Michael clerked for the Honorable Costa M. Pleicones, South Carolina Supreme Court, from 2006-2008.

## PRACTICE AREAS

- Premises Liability
- Commercial Transportation and Trucking
- Construction Litigation
- Products Liability
- Appellate Practice Group

## ADMISSIONS

- South Carolina Bar

## EDUCATION

- University of South Carolina School of Law, J.D. (2006)
- Wofford College, B.A., *summa cum laude*, (2003)

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- International Association of Defense Counsel
- John Belton O’Neill Inn of Court
  - Executive Committee
- Richland County Bar Association
- South Carolina Defense Trial Attorneys’ Association

## JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

- The Honorable Costa M. Pleicones, Associate Justice of the South Carolina Supreme Court (2006-2008)

## HONORS & AWARDS

- Best Lawyers in America
  - Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants (2019-2020)
- South Carolina “Super Lawyer” Rising Star
  - Personal Injury Defense (2019)
  - General Litigation (2016-2018)

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Prisma Health Midlands Foundation
  - Board of Directors
- Greater Columbia Chamber of Commerce
- South Carolina Chamber of Commerce
  - Safety, Health, and Security Committee (2011-2015)