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In sports, teams worry about the "big game factor" on their coaches. Litigation is no different. Companies need a lawyer who has done it before and succeeded. Dylan's clients can report to their investors that they are aggressively defending their case with an attorney familiar with their court and the nuances of their industry. He has won many dispositive motions, taken hundreds of depositions, tried several jury and bench trials, and advocated in dozens of appeals.

Dylan has represented companies in a broad range of business, corporate, and commercial litigation, including: consumer financial services, products liability, professional liability (architects, engineers, accountants, and medical providers), shareholder disputes, toxic torts, class actions, title insurance defense, multi-district litigation, and structured settlement and annuity transfers.

Dylan has a national practice representing mortgage servicers, investors, loan servicers, credit card issuers, automobile lenders, and fintech companies in consumer financial services litigation. He is experienced in consumer protection statutes such as the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (FDCPA), Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA), Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act (RESPA), Truth in Lending Act (TILA), and Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA). Dylan is also experienced in defending defamation actions filed by public figures, with numerous reported decisions in several states.

Clients also rely on Dylan's unique experience as a trial attorney and an appellate advocate to serve as the "appellate attorney at trial" to ensure that the approach during trial results in a viable appellate strategy that preserves all issues for appeal.

CAPABILITIES

Practice Areas

- Appellate Advocacy
- Business Litigation
- Class Action, Mass Action & Multi-District Litigation
- Financial Services Litigation
- Health Care Litigation & Investigations
- Insurance Coverage, Bad Faith & Regulatory Litigation
- Litigation & Appeals
- Pharmaceuticals & Medical Devices Litigation
- Product Liability Litigation

RECENT ASSIGNMENTS

- Represented global multinational chemical company in prosecuting a multi-million dollar tortious interference claim against a competitor who disrupted a customer's requirements contract.
- Represented aircraft engineering client in federal action involving misappropriation of trade secrets valued at over \$100 million dollars.
- Defended former directors and officers of failed bank against claims by FDIC arising from the approval of loans that resulted in losses of \$70 million.
- Defended fintech lender in federal court against a class action asserting claims under the Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA).
- Represented international supplier in a dispute with the federal government over a \$15 million contract.
- Represented minority ownership interests in a lawsuit involving derivative claims of breach of fiduciary duty, as well as individual claims for minority shareholder oppression.

- Represented country music television network in federal action involving derivative claims valued in excess of \$3 million.
- Defended mortgage servicer in federal court against FDCPA claims and state law claims for mortgage servicing violations.
- Defended credit card issuer in federal court against FCRA claims.
- Defended in state court and on appeal opinion columnist against defamation claims brought by a public official that were dismissed under Rule 12(b)(6).
- Defended in state court and on appeal media company that reported on a prominent high school football coach who was fired after allegedly using a racial epithet.
- Served as coordinating counsel for insurance company in mass action asserting claims of fraud and bad faith arising from natural disasters in Texas.
- Represented mortgage investor in severing and removing state court claims to federal court, which were dismissed under Rule 12(b)(6) and affirmed on appeal.
- Appeared before the Jurisdictional Panel on Multidistrict Litigation and successfully advocated for the consolidation of multiple data breach class actions.

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Alabama
- Florida
- Kentucky
- Tennessee
- Texas

RECENT NEWS, ARTICLES & SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Tilley's Alabama Equity author, 6th ed. Thomson Reuters 2023, December 2023
- An Irreconcilable Tension? The Conflict Between Increased Federal Regulatory Pressures And The Inability To Grow Compliance Functions
 Conference on Consumer Finance Law, SMU Dedman School of Law, November 3, 2023
- Where Things Stand on Standing: Recent Developments Regarding Article III Standing and Practical Considerations When Faced with a Lawsuit Conference on Consumer Finance Law, Loyola University Chicago School of Law, May 19, 2023
- Stites & Harbison brings in Reeves as member by staff writer, *Tennessee Ledger*, February 17, 2023
- CFPB Issues Advisory Opinion on Digital Shopping Platforms for Mortgages Stites & Harbison Client Alert, February 10, 2023
- Tilley's Alabama Equity
 Editor, published by Thomas Reuters, September 20, 2022
- Chapter 10: "Post-Trial and Appeal"
 The Trial Compendium, 2017

MEMBERSHIPS

- The Alabama Lawyer, Board of Editors (former member)
- Florida Bar Journal, Board of Editors (former member)

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

President, University of Alabama National Alumni Association Nashville Chapter

EDUCATION

University of Alabama School of Law J.D. cum laude 2009

- Alabama Law Review, Managing Board
- Order of Samaritan (Honorary)
- Bench & Bar Legal Honor Society
- Dean's Community Service Award
- American Association for Justice Partnership in Advocacy Scholar

Samford University B.A., Political Science 2006

MORE THAN STITES & HARBISON

Dylan is a proud Girl Dad who is gifted in the art of dad jokes. When he's not turning off lights in empty rooms or mowing the lawn in grass-stained white tennis shoes, he enjoys heirloom vegetable gardening, smoking meats, craft beer, and 90s country music. He is a graduate of the Alabama School of Fine Arts (where he majored in vocal performance), a former law clerk to The Honorable Tom King, Jr., and a member of St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church. Il parle un peu français.

ACCOLADES

- The Best Lawyers in America®, Insurance Law, and Mass Tort Litigation/ Class Actions Plaintiffs (2023-24)
- The Best Lawyers in America® Ones to Watch, Commercial Litigation, Financial Services
 Regulation Law, Insurance Law, Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions Defendants, and Mass
 Tort Litigation / Class Actions Plaintiffs (2021)
- Mid-South Super Lawyers "Rising Star", Business Litigation (2017–19)
- Birmingham Business Journal "Rising Stars of Law" (2016)