



## V. Phillip Hill IV

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### RELATED SERVICES

- Employment
- Product Liability
- Entertainment & Recreation
- Commercial Litigation
- Environmental & Toxic Tort
- Asbestos & Talc

### OFFICES

- Atlanta

### OVERVIEW

V. Phillip Hill IV is a Partner in the GRSM Atlanta office and has over fifteen years of experience representing companies throughout all stages of complex civil litigation. He devotes the majority of his practice to employment, business/commercial litigation, and general liability defense matters.

#### **Employment**

Phillip defends companies in administrative proceedings and employment litigation concerning all aspects of federal and state law. A focus of Phillip's practice involves initiating and defending claims involving breach of restrictive covenants and defending against discrimination claims. His counseling work also includes negotiating and drafting employment and separation agreements.

#### **Business and Commercial Litigation**

Phillip represents public and privately held entities and their principals in business-related disputes. Phillip has defended and prosecuted a variety of complex commercial litigation matters involving breach of contract, breach of fiduciary duty, trade secret misappropriation, unfair business practices, fraud, garnishments, and theft. He focuses on a broad array of industries including healthcare providers, telecommunications companies, manufacturers, banks, and service companies.

### **General Liability**

Phillip has defended a variety of businesses, including retailers, contractors, restaurants, public entities, commercial property owners, and individuals in self-insured and insured claims and lawsuits under general liability insurance policies including personal injuries (from slip and falls to catastrophic/wrongful death), assault and battery, premises liability, property damage, government entity liability, trespass and nuisance, and motor vehicle/commercial automobile.

### **REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE**

- *James W. Morgan v. Interstate Resources, Inc.* – secured a motion for summary judgment for an international publically traded corporation against its former North American CEO’s claims for age discrimination, national origin discrimination, intentional/negligent misrepresentation and fraudulent inducement in the United States District Court, Southern District of Ohio.
- *White Cap, L.P. v. Washoutpan.com, LLC, et al.* – Obtained a \$2,441,336.46 judgment for Plaintiff against an LLC and its owner for claims of false advertising, unfair competition, defamation, slander, tortious interference with business relations, Uniform Deceptive Trade Practices Act and RICO in the United States District Court, Northern District of Georgia.
- *Environmental Research Center v. Technical Laboratories, Inc.* – After successfully removing the case to United States District Court, secured a Motion to Dismiss for lack of personal jurisdiction for a laboratory in Tennessee against a professional negligence and breach of contract action originally filed in Superior Court.
- *Park Place Commercial, LP v. Double Check, Inc., et al.* – Secured a demurrer and motion to strike without leave to amend for an environmental services company against a plaintiff who alleged property damage as a result of underground storage tanks.
- *Orange Redevelopment Agency v. City of Orange* – Secured a motion for judgment on the pleadings for a municipal entity striking plaintiff’s causes of action under the Carpenter-Presley-Tanner Hazardous Substance Account Act as a result of a lack of compliance with Health & Safety Code section 25351.2 and striking plaintiff’s causes of action under the Porter Cologne Act for indemnity, contribution and declaratory relief as a result of a lack of any order of liability being issued by a regional or state board for contamination under Water Code section 13350, a necessary prerequisite for relief under the Act.

- *Aria Greenlee v. BASF Catalysts LLC* – Secured motion for summary adjudication for a talc supplier in an asbestos related action which adjudicated plaintiffs’ causes of action for false representation, intentional tort/intentional failure to warn, and the prayer for punitive damages.
- *James Lester David, et al. v. Aladdin Heating Corporation, et al.* – Secured a motion for summary adjudication for a wholesale plumbing supplier in an asbestos related action which adjudicated plaintiffs’ causes of action for intentional tort, misrepresentation and plaintiffs’ claims for punitive damages.

## CREDENTIALS

### Admissions

- California
- Georgia
- U.S. District Court, Northern, Central, and Southern Districts of California
- U.S. District Court, Northern, Middle, and Southern Districts of Georgia

### Education

- J.D., Mercer University, Walter F. George School of Law, 2008
- M.B.A., Mercer University, Stetson School of Business and Economics, 2008
- B.M., *magna cum laude*, Berklee College of Music, 2005

### Honors

- *Best Lawyers in America*® Ones to Watch distinction in Commercial Litigation (2021-2025), Labor and Employment Law – Management (2021-2025)