



## Christina (Christy) Hull

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### **Related Services**

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***A seasoned litigator with more than 25 years of practice, Christy is known for expert navigation of all aspects of litigation and settlement negotiations, bringing keen insights and strategic thinking to clients every day. Christy has served as lead counsel in high-asset cases and other high-profile matters that have attracted international attention and media coverage.***

Christy Hull is a senior litigation partner who leads complex litigation matters with a focus on clients in the industrials, manufacturing and media spaces. She is co-chair of Alston & Bird's Industrials, Manufacturing & Products Litigation Team and has deep and broad experience tackling enterprise risks, including disputes involving claims of mass torts, negligence, breach of contract, fraud, business torts, property torts, defamation, and unfair and deceptive trade practice and consumer protection statutes.

Christy is recognized by *The Best Lawyers in America*®. She was a member of the 2022 class of Leadership Atlanta, one of the oldest sustained community leadership programs in the nation. She also serves on the University of Georgia's Law School Alumni Council and is president-elect for the 2025-26 academic year.

### **Representative Experience**

#### **Industrials & Manufacturing**

- Defense liaison counsel for a contract sterilizer facing high-profile mass tort cases brought by hundreds of plaintiffs alleging injuries and damages from ethylene oxide medical sterilization operations in Georgia and other U.S. locations.
- National litigation counsel for an international plastics manufacturer, defending against claims including workplace fatality, environmental, indemnification, and contract disputes.
- Lead counsel for Taishan Gypsum Co. Ltd. in Chinese drywall product liability litigation, one of the largest and most complex MDLs in history with more than 3,000 claimants, ultimately brokering a classwide settlement and securing outright dismissals of every opt-out claim.
- Lead counsel for one of the world's biggest chemical manufacturers against more than two dozen personal injury and civil RICO claims against multiple manufacturers and transport companies.
- Lead counsel for a textile manufacturer in more than 100 property tort civil suits arising from the largest river fish kill in Georgia history, ultimately brokering dismissal of all claims through settlement and securing outright dismissals of non-settling cases.

- Secured Eleventh Circuit entry of a defense judgment on all claims, vacating an adverse jury verdict, on behalf of a textile manufacturer and its corporate ownership in a dispute brought by a corporate partner in a textile manufacturing joint venture.
- Defended a major computer manufacturer against claims of fraud, unfair and deceptive trade practices, and breach of warranty for alleged defects in computer components in a federal case that garnered significant national media attention, including prominent coverage in *The New York Times* and *CNNMoney*.
- Obtained a summary judgment ruling dismissing all claims against a major computer manufacturer client in a putative class action alleging breach of warranty and unfair and deceptive trade practices arising from nationwide media attention of prior lawsuits regarding alleged defects in computer components.
- Obtained a grant of preliminary injunction on behalf of a client, forcing the opponent to continue purchasing from the client, securing several million dollars of continuing profits for the client during the course of the litigation and preventing the likely close of the client's manufacturing facility.
- Prosecuted a declaratory judgment action to resist an extra-contractual price hike from a supplier to a client manufacturer, ultimately securing a pennies-on-the-dollar settlement.
- Defended a public manufacturing client in federal court against a raw material supplier seeking multimillion-dollar damages for an alleged breach of a supply contract, ultimately securing a favorable eve-of-trial settlement.

## **Media & Defamation**

- Counseling companies and individuals concerning strategies, rights and risks associated with libel, slander, free speech, and related defamation claims, including cease and desist letters, demands for retraction, and other strategies in response to adverse media coverage or commentary.
- Defending an author and former White House aide against politically charged defamation claims arising from the client's bestselling memoir.
- Obtained full dismissal of U.S. defamation claims and recovered attorneys' fees for claims by Russian oligarchs against a foreign citizen arising from international media and political attention to work related to a U.S. presidential campaign.
- Defended an international payment services company against claims of political and ideological discrimination.
- Defended an entertainer and entrepreneur against defamation and other tort claims related to the client's successful consumer products business. Achieved full grant of motion to dismiss multiple claims in initial complaint.
- Obtained a summary judgment ruling dismissing all claims in a \$50 million defamation action brought by a former record company executive and music producer against a production company and on-air talent on a highly rated reality television show.
- Obtained a summary judgment ruling dismissing a defamation action brought by a former chief-level executive against a national public bank and its CEO.

## **Other Notable Experience**

- Lead counsel defending a national law firm in a high-profile professional liability case brought by a former patent client seeking more than \$100 million.
- Represented one of the largest insurance companies in the United States in life and disability claims litigation in courts nationwide.
- Played a key role in the internal investigation of a public company facing allegations of mortgage and other financial fraud stemming from the 2008 recession.

- Played a key role on the legal team for the court-appointed examination of Enron Corp. by R. Neal Batson (the Batson Report).

## **Publications & Presentations**

### **Presentations**

- *Khan, et al. v. Orbis Business Intelligence Limited, et al.*, District of Columbia Bar Arts, Entertainment, Media and Sports Law Community Media Law Committee Meeting, May 10, 2023.

## **Professional & Community Engagement**

- University of Georgia Law School Alumni Council (2021–present); president-elect (2025–26)
- *Daily Report*, “On the Rise – 40 Georgia Legal Rising Stars to Watch” (2013)
- Leadership Atlanta Class of 2022

## **Education**

- University of Georgia (J.D., 2000)
- University of Georgia (B.A., 1995)

## **Admitted to Practice**

- Georgia