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Overview

Trey currently serves as President of Daniel Coker. Trey has successfully tried cases to verdict ranging from simple automobile accidents to complex products liability and insurance disputes. In recognition of his trial skills, Trey has achieved membership by invitation to such prestigious organizations as the American College of Trial Lawyers and the American Board of Trial Advocates. He is also a member of the Association of Defense Trial Attorneys and the Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel, two selective, invitation-only defense organizations. In addition to his litigation practice, Trey is actively involved in several legal organizations that focus on competence and professionalism in the legal field, including the Mississippi Bar Foundation and the William C. Keady American Inns of Court. He is also a former member of the Mississippi Board of Bar Admissions.

Trey's term as President began on January 1, 2020. Trey joined the firm in 1992, and he has served in various leadership positions throughout his career.

Practice Areas

- » Civil Rights & Governmental Liability
- » Insurance Coverage & Bad Faith Defense
- » Medical Malpractice
- » Products Liability

Admissions

- » Mississippi
- » United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
- » United States District Court for the Northern District of Mississippi
- » United States District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi

Education

- » B.A., Millsaps College, *cum laude*, 1989
- » J.D., University of Mississippi School of Law, 1992
 - » *Mississippi Law Journal*
 - » Moot Court Board

Professional Affiliations

- American Bar Association
- American Board of Trial Advocates
- American College of Trial Lawyers
- Association of Defense Trial Attorneys
- Claims & Litigation Management Alliance (CLM)
- Defense Research Institute
- Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel
- Lafayette County Bar Association
- Mississippi Bar Foundation
- Mississippi Board of Bar Admissions, Past Member
- Mississippi Defense Lawyers Association, Past President
- Mississippi Bar Association
- William C. Keady American Inns of Court, Secretary/Treasurer

Honors & Awards

- Best Lawyers in America®, 2011 – Present
 - Insurance Law
 - Municipal Law
 - Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants
 - Product Liability Litigation – Defendants
- Mid-South Super Lawyers, 2011 – Present
- Lawyer of the Year, Best Lawyers in America®, Product Liability Litigation – Defendants, Tupelo, 2018, 2021
- Lawyer of the Year, Best Lawyers in America®, Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants, Tupelo, 2016, 2020
- Lawyer of the Year, Best Lawyers in America®, Insurance Law, Tupelo, 2016
- Inducted into the American College of Trial Lawyers, 2015
- Inducted into the American Board of Trial Advocates (“ABOTA”), 2014
- *Mississippi Business Journal*, Leadership in Law Recipient, 2012
- *Mississippi Business Journal*, Top CEO Award, 2021
- Association of Defense Trial Attorneys (ADTA), Prime Member
- Martindale-Hubbell, AV Preeminent® Rated
- Mississippi Bar Foundation Fellow



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