



G. Robert DeLoach III

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G. Robert (Bob) DeLoach III is a native South Carolinian with more than 30 years of experience as an attorney in the Carolinas. Bob focuses his current practice in the defense of construction defect litigation, insurance defense, general liability claims and appellate practice in the South Carolina state and federal courts. Additionally, he provides first- and third-party insurance coverage services to carriers and adjusters inclusive of reservation of rights correspondence, coverage opinions, and litigation of coverage-related declaratory judgment actions.

Bob began his legal career as clerk for a South Carolina Circuit Court Judge. He then joined the South Carolina Attorney General's Office, where he represented the State of South Carolina in the state Circuit Courts, Court of Appeals and Supreme Court, as well as the federal appellate courts. Bob argued several significant cases for the Attorney General, including capital murder appeals, which have become legal precedent for the South Carolina courts. Since moving into private practice, Bob has represented and defended general contractors, specialty contractors, engineers, insurers and private individuals over the past several years.

Education

- University of South Carolina Joseph F. Rice School of Law (J.D., 1991)
- Cornell University (B.A. History, 1988)

Bar Admissions

- South Carolina

Court Admissions

Services

- Construction
- Insurance & Reinsurance Defense
- Appellate
- Insurance & Reinsurance Coverage

- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit
- U.S. District Court, District of South Carolina

Clerkships

Law Clerk for the Honorable Thomas J. Ervin, Circuit Court Judge

Professional Affiliations

- South Carolina Bar, Construction Law Section

Awards & Honors

- South Carolina Jaycees Chaplain of the Year, 2004
- Pro Bono Honor Roll, 2021

Representative Matters

Represented numerous clients in defense of complex construction defect cases.

Client Wins

DeLoach and Cheek Secure Summary Judgment for Building Owner in Slip and Fall Claim

G. Robert DeLoach (Of Counsel-Charlotte, NC) and Brad Cheek (Associate-Charlotte, NC) secured summary judgment in the Court of Common Pleas for the 13th Judicial Circuit, Greenville, South Carolina, for Wilson Elser's client, the owner of a medical office building located on the campus of a hospital network. In this trip and fall matter, the plaintiff allegedly fell on a sidewalk she claimed was poorly maintained, suing our client and two other hospital entities. Bob and Brad succeeded on their motion for summary judgment with two persuasive arguments: Our client did not owe the plaintiff a duty to warn due to her admission when deposed that the condition of the sidewalk was open and obvious, and that the court's prior granting of summary judgment pursuant to the co-defendant's argument constituted *res judicata* as to the plaintiff's claims against our client.