



Michelle L. Browning,
Partner

Professional Experience

Michelle Browning is a trial lawyer with more than 25 years of experience defending claims of professional liability. Her clients include major healthcare systems (both for profit and non-profit), healthcare providers, pharmaceutical companies, medical device companies and physicians in a wide range of specialties. She represents clients in litigated matters of all sizes, with an emphasis on catastrophic damages cases. She completed certification in healthcare compliance (CHC)[®] by the Compliance Certification Board (CCB)[®] in 2016.

Her recent experience includes:

- Successfully trying post-COVID civil cases, including several multi-million-dollar civil cases all of which resulted in defense verdicts for the client.
- Serving as a Faculty Member at the 45th Annual International Association of Defense Counsel (IADC) Trial Academy, Stanford Law School, 2017.

Recognition

Browning is a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates (ABOTA), Arkansas Chapter; a Fellow of the International Association of Defense Counsel; a member of the Arkansas Bar Association House of Delegates and Board of Governors; and a Fellow of the Litigation Counsel of America (2016-2018). She is the former chair of the Arkansas Bar Association's Young Lawyers Section (2006-2007) and previously served on the Board of Trustees for the Arkansas Bar Foundation (2008).

Practice Areas

Medical Malpractice
Professional Liability
Products Liability
Class Action, Mass Tort and
Multidistrict Litigation

Admitted to Practice

Arkansas, 1998
U.S. District Court for the
Eastern and Western
Districts of Arkansas
Eighth Circuit Court of
Appeals

Education

B.A., University of Mississippi
(*cum laude*)
J.D., University of Arkansas
at Little Rock, William H.
Bowen School of Law

A frequent speaker at seminars for the National Business Institute on Medical Malpractice and Civil Litigation, Browning has also received the following awards and honors:

- Chambers USA: Ranked in Litigation: Medical Malpractice Defense in Arkansas (2017-2023, 2015, 2011)
- *Soiree Magazine* Little Rock's Best Lawyers (2023)
- *The Best Lawyers in America*®: Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants (2008-present)
- *Mid-South Super Lawyers*: Personal Injury – Medical Malpractice Defense, Civil Litigation Defense (2013-2023)
- *Mid-South Super Lawyers* Rising Stars: 2008, 2010-2012
- *Soiree Magazine* Women to Watch (2010)
- Recipient, Arkansas Bar Foundation's Legal Writing award for the article "The Charitable Immunity Doctrine - Where are We Now?" published in the *Arkansas Lawyer* (Fall 2007)
- Recipient, W.A. Eldredge, Jr. Outstanding Young Trial Lawyer Award (Arkansas Association of Defense Counsel) (2007)
- *Arkansas Business* 40 Under 40 Business and Community Leaders (2007)
- Recipient, Arkansas Bar Association Young Lawyers Section Award of Excellence (2004)
- Recipient, Arkansas Bar Association Young Lawyers Section Distinguished Service Award (2003)
- Recipient, Outstanding Pro Bono Attorney Award, Arkansas Volunteer Lawyers for the Elderly (2000)

Community Involvement

Browning enjoyed being a member of the Thea Foundation Board of Directors from 2012-2018, where she served as president of the board from 2016-2018. She has also been active with the Centers for Youth & Families, where she served on the Foundation Board of Trustees. Since 2012, Browning has coached the Catholic High and Mount St. Mary's mock trial teams, and has been a guest lecturer at the University of Arkansas School for Medical Sciences.