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OVERVIEW

Jim has more than 30 years of experience representing leading global businesses in high stakes business litigation. He has acted as lead counsel in numerous high profile and high exposure litigation matters in both trial and appellate courts throughout the U.S. Jim handles a wide variety of litigation matters, with a particular focus on antitrust, complex contract disputes, business torts, intellectual property, and fiduciary litigation. Jim has represented companies in a broad range of industries, including the media, sports, entertainment, manufacturing, and telecommunications industries.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Represented Turner Network Sales, Inc. in a breach of contract action against DISH Network, involving the distribution of CNN.
- Represented the trustees of family trusts and directors of family corporations in litigation in which the plaintiffs alleged breach of fiduciary duties in the management of the trusts and family corporations, and sought hundreds of millions of dollars of damages. The litigation spanned over nine years and included multiple appeals to the Georgia Supreme Court and Georgia Court of Appeals on matters of first impression. The litigation was successfully resolved after a two and a half week jury trial.
- Represented a multibillion dollar family corporation and its directors in shareholder litigation in which the plaintiffs alleged breach of fiduciary duties in the management of the corporation and sought damages of hundreds of millions of dollars. Obtained a summary judgment ruling in favor of the corporation and directors on all claims.
- Represented Maryland and Virginia Milk Producers Cooperative Association, Inc. in an antitrust action against Dairy Farmers of America, Inc. (DFA), alleging violations of Section 2 of the Sherman Act and Section 7 of the Clayton Act in connection with DFA's purchase of three dairy processing plants in North Carolina.
- Represented Turner Broadcasting System, Inc. and Time Warner Inc. in a contract dispute with Fox Sports Net South involving the launch of the cable television network, Turner South.
- Represented Reed Construction Data, a Reed Elsevier company, in a corporate espionage lawsuit against The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc., involving claims of monopolization under Section 2 of the Sherman Act and unfair competition under the Lanham Act and state law.
- Represented the North American Coca-Cola bottling system in a breach of contract action against its aluminum can sheet supplier.

- Represented Cartoon Network, Inc. and Cable News Network, Inc. in separate putative class actions stemming from claims that content viewed on Cartoon Network and CNN mobile software applications violated the Video Privacy Protection Act.
- Represented CertainTeed Corporation in antitrust class actions alleging price fixing in connection with the sale of building materials.
- Represented Turner Broadcasting System, Inc. in a breach of contract action brought against MGM Domestic Television Distribution, Inc. involving claims of breach of a film licensing agreement.
- Represented Universal Wrestling Corporation in an action brought by Terry Bollea, aka “Hulk Hogan” and “Hollywood Hogan” involving claims of defamation and breach of contract.
- Represented Siemens Electromechanical Components, Inc. in an antitrust action brought by Spectronics, Inc., a former distributor, involving claims of monopolization under Section 2 of the Sherman Act and other business torts.
- Represented Healthdyne Technologies, Inc. and HealthScan Products, Inc. in an antitrust action brought by a distributor involving claims for violations of Sections 1 and 2 of the Sherman Act, Section 3 of the Clayton Act and the Robinson-Patman Act.
- Represented E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company in an action arising out of the termination of a license agreement with a carpet manufacturer involving claims for violation of the Robinson-Patman Act and Section 1 of the Sherman Act.
- Represented Turner Broadcasting System, Inc. and certain of its directors in a series of actions brought by TBS shareholders against TBS and its directors involving various direct and derivative claims in connection with the TBS-Time Warner Inc. merger.
- Represented AT&T in an antitrust action brought by Connect America Corporation involving allegations of unlawful monopolization in violation of Section 2 of the Sherman Act.
- Represented a major industrial company in a grand jury investigation conducted by the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice involving charges of criminal price fixing.

AWARDS

- *Best Lawyers in America*®: Litigation – Antitrust (2014-2026) and Litigation – General Commercial (2014-2020)
- *Chambers USA*: Litigation: General Commercial, Georgia (2016-2025)
- *Atlanta Magazine*: “Super Lawyer” in Business Litigation (2004-2017)
- *Benchmark Litigation*: “Local Litigation Star” in General Commercial, Antitrust, Intellectual Property, and Litigation in Georgia (2015, 2016, 2021, 2023-2025)
- *Georgia Trend Magazine*: “Legal Elite”

TOP AREAS OF FOCUS

- [Antitrust](#)
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- [Business Litigation](#)
- [First Amendment + Newsroom](#)
- [Intellectual Property](#)

- Litigation + Trial
- Private Wealth Management
- Trademark + Copyright

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- The George Washington University Law School, J.D., *with honors*, 1987
- The George Washington University, B.A., 1984
- Wake Forest University, 1980-1982

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Georgia
- District of Columbia

COURT ADMISSIONS

- Supreme Court of the United States
- Supreme Court of Georgia
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Tenth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Georgia
- U.S. District Court, Middle District of Georgia