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Kadeisha helps clients resolve complex environmental disputes. Her experience in a range of industries is an asset as she counsels her clients both in and out of the courtroom.

OVERVIEW

Kadeisha is a litigator with first and second-chair experience. She represents clients at every stage of litigation in state and federal district courts, mediations, and arbitrations, concerning multiple areas of law, such as environmental, contract, and business torts.

Prior to joining the firm, Kadeisha was an associate at another major law firm where she focused on complex commercial litigation matters. She has experience advising clients such as automotive manufacturers and dealers on pivotal business decisions and in litigation matters. Kadeisha has served as first-chair in state/magistrate court trials.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Secured \$1.2 million jury verdict in shareholder breach of contract case for private textile manufacturer. (Second chair)
- Secured a complete defense verdict for a major online used car dealer in fraud/misrepresentation/breach of contract case.
- Successfully compelled arbitration in highly contested Georgia Fair Business Practice Act and Wrongful Repossession dispute.
- Counseled major online used car dealer on UCC compliance for cash transactions in all 50 states.

AWARDS

- *Best Lawyers in America®: Ones to Watch: Environmental Law* (2026)
- *National Black Lawyers Top 40 Under 40* (2019-present)
- Defense Research Institute's (DRI) Young Lawyer's Division – Rising Star (2023-2024)

TOP AREAS OF FOCUS

- Environmental + Natural Resources
- Environmental Litigation + Enforcement Defense

ALL AREAS OF FOCUS

- Automotive
- Environmental + Natural Resources
- Environmental Litigation + Enforcement Defense
- Litigation + Trial

PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Georgia Association of Black Women Attorneys
- American Bar Association
- YLD for Defense Research Institute
- YLD for Georgia Bar

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Judicial intern, the Honorable Kimberly Esmond Adams, Superior Court of Fulton County (2016-2017)
- Legal extern, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (2016)

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- Emory University School of Law, J.D., *with honors*, 2017, assistant managing editor for comments, *Journal of Law and Religion*; Law and Religion Moot Court Team (brief writer)
- Johnson C. Smith University, B.A., *summa cum laude*, 2012, history

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Georgia
- South Carolina

COURT ADMISSIONS

- Supreme Court of Georgia
- Supreme Court of South Carolina
- South Carolina Court of Appeals
- Court of Appeals of Georgia
- U.S. District Court, District of South Carolina
- U.S. District Court, Middle District of Georgia
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Georgia

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Speaker, “Navigating Power Allocation and Customer Choice in a Regulated Landscape,” *Energy Law Insights*, January 24, 2024.

PUBLICATIONS

- Co-author, “Effective Voir Dire in the Virtual Courtroom,” *For The Defense*, July & August 2023.