



# Robert E. Boone III

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Robert Boone specializes in advising clients

regarding high-risk litigation, including how to accurately assess, mitigate and efficiently manage enterprise-wide liability exposure and litigation expense. A straightforward communicator, Mr. Boone is committed to offering his clients advice that takes into consideration not only the current challenge at hand, but also possible strategic advantages and opportunities for the future.

His national practice focuses on defending financial institutions, product manufacturers, and service providers against consumer class actions, complex commercial disputes, and product liability/tort litigation in federal and state courts. He has extensive experience advising financial institutions about issues and claims alleging violations of federal banking laws and regulations and state consumer protection statutes, and common law predatory lending claims, including alleged violations of RESPA, TILA, FCRA, FDCPA, and state UDAP laws, and alleged unfair business practices involving mortgage origination fees and commissions, underwriting, appraisals, loan disclosures, force placed insurance, flood insurance, affiliated businesses arrangements, secondary markets, and foreclosures.

Mr. Boone represents small to large businesses in commercial disputes involving the breach and/or termination of complex contracts, misappropriation of trade secrets, patent and trademark infringement, breach of warranties, unfair competition, and fraud. He represents food manufacturers against false labelling, Prop 65, recall and slack fill claims. Mr. Boone's product liability/mass torts practice focuses primarily on representing commercial and military aircraft manufacturers and aircraft engine, braking systems, and other component

manufacturers in air crash disasters and asbestos litigation throughout the country.

Clients consistently turn to Mr. Boone for his expertise in defending a wide variety of other products in catastrophic injury/loss cases involving automobiles, passenger restraint systems and other automobile components, trucks, heavy construction equipment/vehicles, bank security devices, high-strength plastics, high voltage electrical equipment, lighting systems, firearms, cranes and hoisting devices, and telephone equipment. Mr. Boone also counsels clients on risk management, including how to mitigate exposure to class actions, regulatory compliance, and product safety issues. He is a licensed patent attorney.

Outside the office Mr. Boone is an avid outdoorsman. In the winter he can be found skiing the slopes of Utah, Wyoming, Colorado, and Canada. In warmer weather he loves to golf, play soccer, fly fish, and hike. He recently backpacked the Shenandoah National Park section of the Appalachian Trail and would love to take on the entire 2,200 mile long AT someday soon.

#### Education

- J.D., Vanderbilt Law School
- B.S. Vanderbilt University, Civil and Environmental Engineering

## **Practice Focus**

- High-Risk Litigation
- Complex Commercial Disputes
- Product Liability/Tort Litigation
- Contract Dispute Resolution
- Patent Infringement
- Trademark Infringement
- Risk Management Counseling

### Professional Admissions & Associations

- State Bar of California
- Utah State Bar
- State Bar of Georgia
- The Bar Association of The District of Columbia
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office