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#### **EDUCATION**

University of Alabama School of Law Tuscaloosa, AL Juris Doctor

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## **BAR ADMISSIONS**

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### **ABOUT MARY-ELLEN**

Mary-Ellen is a multi-faceted, results driven, and strategic leader and litigator with 22+ years of experience in leading both legal and management operations. She has a strong history in identifying issues, advising clients, assisting clients in capitalizing on areas of opportunity, advising clients on litigation avoidance, leading internal training efforts, developing effective teams and efficient processes, dispute resolution, litigation management, and trying cases.

Her primary focus is complex insurance coverage litigation, commercial litigation, business litigation, general civil litigation, and real estate litigation. She has extensive experience in representing insurers and insurance companies in complex coverage litigation matters in the states of Texas, Louisiana, and Alabama and federal courts nationwide. She has a history of being an aggressive and professional litigator with proven success in attaining favorable settlement where possible. If no settlement possible, she has a proven track record of obtaining favorable results via motion practice and trial.

Ms. King has expansive experience in first-party and third-party coverage litigation, large loss insurance defense litigation, mass tort litigation, and catastrophe litigation. Mary Ellen handles all stages of litigation and has litigated hundreds of cases for insurers and insureds nationwide after Hurricanes Charley, Frances, Jeanne, Ivan, Dennis, Katrina, Rita, Wilma, Ike, Sandy, Harvey, Laura, Delta, and Ida. She advises clients on the existence of insurance coverage related to the handling of insurance claims. Mary Ellen litigates insurance coverage disputes and extra-contractual liability lawsuits involving the duty of good faith and fair dealing, Stowers liability, the Texas Insurance Code, and the Deceptive Trade Practices Act. Ms. King has a long history of representing multiple National Flood Insurance Program Write-Your-Own carriers following major flooding events.

From 2017-2020, Mary-Ellen served as in-house counsel for a Texas political subdivision where she managed internal litigation and outside counsel in various types of litigation matters with a focus on eminent domain litigation and real estate disputes.

As a service to her clients, Mary-Ellen provides seminars and training on a variety of topics related to business operations, risk management, claims management, and litigation.

#### INSURANCE COVERAGE AND DEFENSE

The Insurance Coverage & Defense Practice Group at Lucosky Brookman LLP provides legal advice and representation to insurance companies and self-insured corporations on insurance matters in New York and New Jersey. Our attorneys have successfully litigated innumerable insurance and defense claims ranging from complex high-profile litigation to typical insurance coverage and casualty defense matters, including general liability, products liability, toxic tort and asbestos litigation, construction and labor law cases, transportation, and primary and excess coverage counseling and litigation.

Our New York and New Jersey insurance lawyers are widely recognized for providing exceptional legal advice and representation. We have built a reputation for providing uncompromising litigation services for some of the leading insurance companies. The head of our Insurance Defense Practice Group has more than 30 years of legal experience.

Our attorneys have the skill and experience to effectively negotiate settlements, handle arbitration, or bring a case to trial. Our lawyers assist our clients in identifying and resolving coverage disputes as quickly and efficiently as possible, and achieve claim settlements cost-effectively. We fully recognize that our clients are our partners, and we execute each client's strategy on each individual case.

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