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Practice Areas

- Subrogation & Recovery
- Construction Law
- Transportation & Logistics Litigation
- Legal Profession Services

Industry Sectors

- Insurance

Education

- Nova Southeastern University, J.D., 1998
- The Citadel, B.A., 1994

Bar Admissions

- Florida
- North Carolina
- Tennessee

Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court -- Northern District of Florida
- U.S. District Court -- Middle District of Florida
- U.S. District Court -- Southern District of Florida
- U.S. District Court -- Eastern District of North Carolina
- U.S. District Court -- Middle District of North Carolina
- U.S. District Court -- Western District of North Carolina

Affiliations

- Florida Bar Association
- North Carolina Bar Association
- Tennessee Bar Association

Awards & Honors

- America's Top 50 Lawyers, 2022
- Lawyers of Distinction 2023
- *The Lawyer Network*, Construction Defects Litigation Lawyer of the Year in Florida, 2023
- *The Lawyer Network*, Products Defects Litigation Lawyer of the Year in Florida, 2023

Josh represents insurers and self-insured entities in subrogation claims involving construction, product, admiralty, aviation, transportation, manufacturing, and other commercial and business losses. He has litigated hundreds of subrogation cases in various state and federal jurisdictions (West Virginia, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi, and Florida); has tried subrogation cases first chair in both state and federal court; and has argued appellate issues related to subrogation in the United States Courts of Appeal. He has been admitted to testify by the Florida State Circuit Court as an expert in subrogation. A Florida Supreme Court Certified Circuit Court mediator, Josh has arbitrated and mediated hundreds of subrogation cases.

Josh is a frequent lecturer on subrogation topics, giving presentations to companies and groups throughout the country. He is the Chair of the Southeast Subrogation Region managing Cozen O'Connor's subrogation team in North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, and Florida. He served as Managing Partner Vice Chair for Cozen O'Connor's Miami office from 2014 to 2018. Josh also acted as the Firm's Chair for the Defective Drywall Task Force and was cited by the MDL in Orders issued during that multidistrict litigation.

Josh received his Bachelor of Arts with honors from the Citadel, the Military College of South Carolina, in 1994. He received his law degree from Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale, Florida in 1998.

Experience

Obtained a \$1.74 million judgment (plus pre- and post-judgment interest) on behalf of the insurer of a crane operating company in a negligent services case against the crane manufacturer's wholly owned subsidiary, which acted as a services and training company. The case arose after a 600-ton mobile crane collapsed in on itself after the insured's employees adjusted an incorrect locking pin on the crane during its set-up. We claimed the pin was adjusted and the crane collapsed because the crane manufacturer's wholly owned subsidiary failed to provide the proper training and a product bulletin. After two years of litigation, the case culminated in a six-day trial finding the manufacturer's wholly owned subsidiary 100 percent negligent. The case involved testimony from a number of employees from all parties, crane experts, human factors experts, and damage experts. The case was appealed by the defendant to the United States Court of Appeals, which certified the case to the Florida Supreme Court.

Obtained a 100% verdict in excess of \$1 million for insurers against an electrical utility following a five-day trial in a case involving a fire that was alleged to have spread from a three phase transformer through a field and to the insured's real and personal property. The defendant alleged the fire started in electrical equipment on the insured's property and spread to the three phase transformer. The case involved testimony from a number of employees from all parties, fire origin and cause investigators, fire protection engineers, electrical engineers, meteorologists, and damage experts.

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