

## **E. Douglas Pratt-Thomas**

Douglas has been with the firm since he was admitted to the South Carolina bar in 1976, and concentrates his practice in the areas of health care law, professional malpractice law, alternative dispute resolution, civil litigation, workers' compensation and trial and appellate law. A past president of the Charleston County Bar Association, he holds an AV rating, the highest designation offered by Martindale-Hubbell®, a professional legal organization. He is a Charleston native and currently lives in Mount Pleasant with his wife, Leslie, and his sons, Jeffrey and Taylor.

### **Areas of Practice**

Health care law  
Professional malpractice litigation  
Alternative dispute resolution  
Civil litigation  
Workers' compensation  
Trial and appellate law  
Administrative law

### **Admitted to Practice**

South Carolina  
United States District Court for the District of South Carolina  
United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit

### **Professional Memberships and Distinctions**

South Carolina Law Review, editorial board (1973-1976)  
South Carolina Bar, Chairman, Worker's Compensation Section (2000)  
Charleston County Bar Association, President (2002); Executive Committee (1985, 1994, 1996, 2000 and 2001)  
South Carolina Defense Trial Attorneys Association  
Defense Research Institute  
South Carolina Council of Mediation and Alternative Dispute Resolution (certified mediator and arbitrator)  
United States District Court for the District of South Carolina (certified mediator)  
American Board of Trial Advocates

### **Community Involvement**

Past Chairman, Planning and Zoning Commission, Town of Sullivan's Island, S.C.  
Past President/Board Member, South Carolina Center for Birds of Prey  
Past President/Board Member, Hospice of Charleston, Inc.  
Former Judge, Town of Sullivan's Island, S.C.

### **Representative Cases**

Banks v. Medical University of South Carolina, 314 S.C. 376, 444 S.E.2d 519 (1994)  
Hainer v. American Med. Intern., Inc., 328 S.C. 128, 492 S.E.2d 103 (1997)  
U.S. ex rel Lowman v. Hilton Head Health System, L.P., 487 F. Supp. 682, D.S.C (2007)

Dema v. Tenet Physician Services-Hilton Head, Inc., 383 S.C. 115, 678 S.E.2d 430  
(2009)

**Education**

University of Virginia, B.A., 1973

University of South Carolina School of Law, J.D., 1976

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