

CURRICULUM VITAE

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OFFICE INFORMATION

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PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

THE THOMAS FIRM, PLLC (September 2012 – Current)
ATTORNEY IN PRIVATE PRACTICE (October 2000 – January 2008, and
January 2011 to November 2012)

Practice limited to civil litigation on behalf of both individuals and businesses as Plaintiffs in a wide variety of matters including, motor vehicle and trucking accidents, medical malpractice, accounting and auditing malpractice, products liability, mass tort litigation, class actions and other serious personal injury matters.

ASSISTANT DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL
OFFICE OF THE KENTUCKY ATTORNEY GENERAL (APRIL 2008-DEC. 2010)

Serve as one of the Attorney General's three most senior advisors on all matters related to the functions of the office, litigation and policy. Responsible for overseeing the operations of four divisions including the Office of Civil and Environmental Law, Office of Consumer Protection, Office of Rate Intervention and Office of Medicaid Fraud. These divisions, which consisted of more than 100 attorneys, staff and investigators, handled all civil matters and many criminal prosecutions. In addition, personally handled major litigation on behalf of the Attorney General appearing in courts across the Commonwealth, the Kentucky Court of Appeals, the Kentucky Supreme Court and a number of federal trial court and courts of appeals.

**ACTING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
OFFICE OF CIVIL AND ENVIRONMENTAL LAW
OFFICE OF THE KENTUCKY ATTORNEY GENERAL (JAN. 2008-AUG. 2010)**

Managed a team of 45 attorneys and support staff divided into six branches, including Litigation, Environmental, Boards and Agencies, Administrative Hearings, Uninsured Employers Fund and Opinions. The division was responsible for representing the Attorney General in all cases in which he was a party, representing the Commonwealth in trial and appellate courts, providing general counsel services to state boards and agencies and representing those boards and agencies in civil litigation. The division was also responsible for defending state statutes challenged on constitutional grounds, ruling on open records and open meetings appeals, issuing opinions of the Attorney General and representing the Commonwealth in litigation tied to the Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement.

EDUCATION

**SALMON P. CHASE COLLEGE OF LAW
Northern Kentucky University
Juris Doctorate (cum laude) 2000**

**GEORGETOWN COLLEGE
Georgetown, Kentucky
Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, 1997**

BAR ADMISSIONS

U.S. Supreme Court (2005)
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit (2005)
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit (2009)
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit (2009)
U.S. District Court for the Western District of Kentucky (2000)
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky (2006)
U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Kentucky (2000)
U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York (2009)
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Oklahoma (2009)
U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Indiana (2010)
Commonwealth of Kentucky Trial and Appellate Courts (2000)
State of New York Trial and Appellate Courts (2008)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- American Association for Justice (AAJ) formerly ATLA (2000-Current)**
 - National College of Advocacy Board of Trustees (2011-Current)
 - National Finance Council (2011-Current)
 - Website and IT Advisory Committee (2011-Current)
 - Marketing and Client Service Committee (2011-Current)
 - AAJ Press Advisory Board (2011-Current)
 - Solo and Small Firm Section (2010-Current; Education Coordinator 2011-2012; Secretary 2012-Current)
 - AAJ Political Action Committee "M" Club (2006-2007, 2010-Current)
 - Retirement Plans Oversight Committee (2011-2012)
 - New Lawyers Division Board of Governors (2005-07); Publications Committee (2005-2007), Chairperson (2006-07); Board of Governors Committee Chairperson (2006-2007); Special Projects Committee Chairperson (2010-2011)
 - President's Club (2005-2007)
 - Convention Planning Committee (2006-07)
 - Law School Committee (2007)

- Louisville Bar Association (2000-Current)**
 - Solo and Small Firm Practice Committee (Vice-chair 2006)

- Kentucky Justice Association (2000-Current)**
 - Board of Governors (2011-Current)
 - Proactive Legislation Committee (2007)

- Southern Trial Lawyers Association (2007-Current)**

- American Bar Association (2000-2011)**

- Kentucky Bar Association (2000-current)**

- New York Bar Association (2008-current)**

- New York City Bar Association (2008-current)**

PUBLICATIONS AND PAPERS

- Top 10 iPad Apps for Lawyers; Louisville Bar Association, *Bar Briefs*, December 2012.

- The Ethics of Social Media; Kentucky Justice Association, *The Advocate*, Vol. 40 No. 6, November/December 2012.

The Ethics of Cloud Computing; American Association for Justice, *Solo Small Firm Newsletter*, Vol. 18 No. 1, Winter 2012.

Mobile Technology; Kentucky Justice Association, *The Advocate*, May/June 2012.

Going Mobile; American Association for Justice, *Trial*, January 2012.

Another Thing They Didn't Teach You in Law School – Client Development; Louisville Bar Association Bar Briefs, Nov. 2007.

Truck Accident Litigation (2nd ed.) American Bar Association, Essential Actions: Preserving the Evidence, (2006).

Returning the Scales to Balance: Execution Impact Evidence In Kentucky, Northern Kentucky Law Review, Vol. 27(2) 2000, pg. 411-429.

SEMINARS GIVEN

The Ethics of Social Media and Cloud Computing; American Association for Justice “Weekend with the Stars,” New York, NY, December 7, 2012.

iPad Pre-Trial and Ethics in Social Media: Identifying the Pitfalls of the Communication Revolution; Indiana Trial Lawyers Association, Indianapolis, IN, October 18, 2012.

iPad at Trial; Indiana Trial Lawyers Association, Indianapolis, IN, October 18, 2012.

iPad for Litigators; Louisville Bar Association, Louisville, KY, September 21, 2012.

Cloud Computing: Is the Sky Really the Limit?; American Association for Justice Annual Convention, Chicago, IL, July 31, 2012.

Social Media: Identifying the Ethical Pitfalls of the Communications Revolution; American Association for Justice Annual Convention, Chicago, IL, July 29, 2012.

Paperless Office: iPads and Apps for Lawyers; American Association for Justice Annual Convention, Chicago, IL, July 29, 2012.

Social Media: Identifying the Ethical Pitfalls of the Communications Revolution; Oklahoma Association for Justice, Incline Village, NV, June 22, 2012.

Paperless Office: iPads and Apps for Lawyers; Oklahoma Association for Justice, Incline Village, NV, June 22, 2012.

Social Media: Identifying the Ethical Pitfalls of the Communications Revolution; Kentucky Justice Association, Louisville, KY, June 19, 2012.

iPads at Trial; El Paso Trial Lawyers Association, El Paso, TX, June 14, 2012.

iPads at Trial; Permian Basin Trial Lawyers Association, Odessa, TX, June 13, 2012.

iPads at Trial; Kentucky Justice Association, Louisville, KY, May 8, 2012.

Not Just a Toy: iPads and Other Tech for Lawyers; Ohio Association for Justice Annual Convention, Columbus, OH; May 4, 2012.

iPads and Apps for Lawyers: Depositions and Client Meetings; Kentucky Justice Association, Louisville, KY, March 20, 2012.

Paperless Office: iPads and Apps for Lawyers; PILMMA Spring Marketing and Management Summit, New Orleans, LA, March 16-17, 2012.

Avoiding Ethical Traps Webinar: Opposing Counsel and the Role of Social Media; American Association for Justice, Webinar, December 19, 2011.

Social Media: Identifying the Ethical Pitfalls of the Communications Revolution; Louisville Bar Association, Louisville, KY, October 28, 2011.

Paperless Offices, iPads and Apps for Lawyers; Louisiana Association for Justice Personal Injury Conference, New Orleans, LA, September 16, 2011.

American Association for Justice Annual Convention: Litigation Track: Apps for Lawyers; American Association for Justice Annual Convention, New York, NY, July, 2011.

Using Technology in Your Practice, Paperless office – A Practical Guide to the Digital Law Firm; Kentucky Justice Association, Louisville, KY, June 12, 2011.

American Association for Justice Jazz Fest Auto Litigation Seminar: Using Technology in Your Cases/Practice: Practical Technology for the Solo Practitioner; New Orleans, LA, April 28, 2011.

Basic Training for County Attorneys: Prosecutorial Ethics, Immunity and Open Records/Open Meetings; Kentucky Prosecutor's Advisory Council, December 1, 2010.

E-Discovery for State Government Attorneys; Kentucky Legislative Research Commission, July 25, 2008.

Money Traps for Lawyers; Kentucky Bar Association, October 9, 2007.

Leveling the Playing Field: The Use of Technology in the Courtroom and the Office; Louisville Bar Association, June 15, 2007.

American Association for Justice: Litigating Trucking Cases – From Discovery to Trial: Using Black Box Data to Prove Your Theory of the Case; Caesars Las Vegas, October 20-21, 2006

American Association for Justice: Fundamentals of Trucking Litigation - Preservation of Evidence in Trucking Cases; St. Louis, MO., September 19, 2006

Starting Your Solo or Small Firm Practice, Salmon P. Chase College of Law, April 12, 2006

Negotiation: The New Art of War, Louisville Bar Association, Feb. 24, 2005

OTHER INTERESTS AND VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

Louisville Free Public Library Advisory Commission

(2007-Current); Executive Committee (2008-Current); Chair (Nov. 2008-Current)

Library Foundation – Louisville Free Public Library

(2006-Current; Investments and Finance Committee Jan. 2009-Current)

Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation Prevention Board

(Chair – 2010-2011)

Friends of the Louisville Free Public Library

Executive Board (2004-2008); President (2006-2008);
Vice President (2005-2006)

University of Louisville Brandeis School of Law

Guest Lecturer of Trial Practice (2010 and 2011)

Louisville Bar Association Leadership Academy
Inaugural Class (2006)

Salmon P. Chase College of Law
Campaign Cabinet (2002-2004)
Adjunct Professor of Trial Advocacy (2000-2001)