

Robert Williamson is the founder of Robert Chapman Williamson, P.A. and handles legal matters involving construction contracts and claims, construction defects, toxic mold, privately owned business disputes, commercial loans and loan workouts, insurance coverage and business torts. Approximately 70% of Mr. Williamson's practice involves litigation.

An accomplished speaker, Mr. Williamson has spoken at workshops and seminars sponsored by the Mississippi Bar, the Mississippi Bankers Association, Lorman Educational Systems, the National Business Institute and Sterling Education Services as well as private in house seminars for businesses.

Mr. Williamson is peer reviewed rated "AV" by Martindale-Hubbell, a rating indicative that he has reached the height of professional excellence and is recognized for the highest level of skill and integrity.

### **PUBLICATIONS AND SELECTED PAPERS**

CONTRIBUTING AUTHOR, MISSISSIPPI CONSTRUCTION CLAIMS (LORMAN 2004).

AUTHOR, *LENDER LIABILITY AND PREDATORY LENDING* IN MISSISSIPPI FORECLOSURE AND REPOSSESSION (LORMAN 2003).

CONTRIBUTING AUTHOR, FUNDAMENTALS OF CONSTRUCTION LAW (STERLING 2003).

CO-AUTHOR, *LENDER LIABILITY/LENDER CONCERNS* IN MISSISSIPPI FORECLOSURE LAW HANDBOOK (UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI 1999 AND 2003 EDITIONS).

CONTRIBUTING AUTHOR, MISSISSIPPI CONSTRUCTION DEFECTS AND MOLD LITIGATION (NATIONAL BUSINESS INSTITUTE 2003).

CONTRIBUTING AUTHOR, MISSISSIPPI CONSTRUCTION LAW ISSUES (LORMAN 2002, 2003 EDITIONS).

CONTRIBUTING AUTHOR, MISSISSIPPI CONSTRUCTION LAW: WHAT DO YOU DO WHEN? (NATIONAL BUSINESS INSTITUTE 1996, 1987 AND 2000 EDITIONS).

CONTRIBUTING AUTHOR, MISSISSIPPI CONSTRUCTION PAYMENT RIGHTS (LORMAN 2000).

CO-AUTHOR, *LENDER LIABILITY IN MISSISSIPPI: PART II LOAN COMMITMENTS AND AGREEMENTS*, 59 MISS. L. J. 71 (1989).

CO-AUTHOR, *LENDER LIABILITY: SURETY BEWARE*, SURETY CLAIMS INSTITUTE (1989).

CO-AUTHOR, *EFFECTIVE LOAN AGREEMENTS, COMMITMENTS AND ACCOMMODATION LETTERS: AN AVOIDANCE APPROACH TO LENDER LIABILITY* (MBA 1988).

CO-AUTHOR, *LENDER LIABILITY IN MISSISSIPPI; A SURVEY, COMPARISON AND COMMENT*, 57 MISS. L. J. 1 (1987).

CO-AUTHOR, *MILLER ACT PERFORMANCE BONDS*, IN MILLER ACT BOND CLAIMS (DRI MONOGRAPH, 1987).

### **PAST POSITIONS**

Prior to founding his own firm, Mr. Williamson had been a member of Ott & Purdy, Ltd., (1983-1991), a construction law boutique, and Dove, Chill, Calhoun & Williamson, a general practice firm. Before practicing law, he worked at the University of Southern Mississippi where he designed and secured funding for a multi county school dropout prevention demonstration program and in policy and program planning positions in the Mississippi Governor's Offices of Planning and Job Development and Training.

## **EDUCATION**

J.D.(*CUM LAUDE*),  
UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI

1982  
OXFORD, MISSISSIPPI

HONORS: EDITORIAL BOARD, *MISSISSIPPI LAW JOURNAL* • NATIONAL MOOT COURT TEAM • NATIONAL APPELLATE ADVOCACY TEAM • NATIONAL MOCK TRIAL TEAM • PRESIDENT, PHI DELTA PHI

B.A. (*POLITICAL SCIENCE*)  
MILLSAPS COLLEGE

1973  
JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

HONORS: PRESIDENT, JUNIOR CLASS • VICE-PRESIDENT, FRESHMAN CLASS • COLLEGE SENATOR  
PRESIDENT, PI KAPPA DELTA (DEBATE HONORARY) • ALPHA PSI OMEGA (THEATRE) • DEBATE SCHOLARSHIP • KAPPA ALPHA ORDER

## **APPOINTMENTS**

PAST MEMBER, MISSISSIPPI SECRETARY OF STATE'S BUSINESS LAW ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
PAST MEMBER, BANK ATTORNEYS' COMMITTEE, MISSISSIPPI BANKERS ASSOCIATION

## **ADMITTED**

MISSISSIPPI  
UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT  
UNITED STATES COURTS OF APPEALS FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT  
UNITED STATES COURTS OF APPEALS FOR THE EIGHTH CIRCUIT  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION  
FORUM ON THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY  
FIDELITY AND SURETY LAW AND BUSINESS TORTS COMMITTEES, SECTION ON TORT,  
TRIAL PRACTICE AND INSURANCE PRACTICE  
MISSISSIPPI AND HINDS COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATIONS  
CONSTRUCTION OWNERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

## **OTHER INTERESTS**

Mr. Williamson was born and raised in Yazoo City, Mississippi and is a fourth generation Mississippian. He enjoys boating and other water activities, hiking, riding and spending time with his two children, Robert, an acting and writing major at Fordham University's Lincoln Center and his daughter Sarah Ann, a recent graduate of Tulane University. He is a member of Wells United Methodist Church.