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## Education

Yale Law School, J.D., 2002

- *Yale Journal on Regulation*

Brenau University Women's College, B.S., 1999; *summa cum laude*; high honors in liberal studies

## Admissions

State Bar of Georgia  
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit  
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit  
U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Georgia  
U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia

## Nicole G. Iannarone, Partner

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Nicole Iannarone represents plaintiffs and defendants in complex commercial litigation, appellate litigation and class actions. Nicole's practice includes a wide range of business litigation and appeals, including fraud, Racketeered Influenced and Corrupt Organizations (RICO), contract and negligence claims. She also has significant experience in retaining and overturning default judgments for her clients. Nicole has been recognized multiple times as a "Rising Star" by Law and Politics and *Atlanta Magazine*.

In addition to general business litigation, Nicole's practice focuses on professional liability cases concerning attorneys and accountants. She has represented companies as well as high net worth individuals and families in litigation involving malpractice claims against major national accounting firms. She is often called upon to counsel attorneys and law firms in all aspects of professional liability matters, including disciplinary inquiries, investigatory subpoenas, ethics questions, drafting of law firm agreements and defending against negligence claims.

Complementing her professional liability work at the firm, Nicole serves as the vice-chair of the Atlanta Bar Association's Reputation and Public Trust Committee, as a member of the State Bar of Georgia's Disciplinary Rules and Procedures Committee and previously co-chaired the Young Lawyers Division Ethics and Professionalism Committee. These experiences add substantial strength to her professional liability practice.

Nicole is active in the bar and the community and has been recognized for this service. She has received the Kerry Harike Joedecke Atlanta Young Lawyer of the Year Award and the Brenau Women's College Young Alumnae Award.

## Representative Work

- Currently representing a public company and approximately 40 of its shareholders in a lawsuit alleging that several Wall Street firms engaged in naked short selling to improperly lower the company's stock price in violation of securities and other laws.
- Certified as class counsel in a case that resulted in an \$18 million settlement on behalf of a class of plaintiff factory workers who alleged that their employer depressed their wages by hiring illegal workers.
- Successfully represented numerous individuals in the resolution of fraud, RICO and malpractice claims against their accountants and tax preparers.
- Represented a national law firm in defending class action claims alleging violations of the Georgia Debt Adjustment Act.
- Representation of plaintiff in enforcing multimillion dollar default judgment which lead to successful settlement of matter.
- Obtained permanent injunction on First Amendment grounds barring the State of Georgia from enforcing a law. In response to injunction, the Georgia legislature removed the challenged portions of the law from the Georgia Code.

## **Professional Activities**

Vice-Chair, Reputation and Public Trust Committee, Atlanta Bar Association  
Board Member, Women in the Profession Section, Atlanta Bar Association  
Atlanta Council of Younger Lawyers: Secretary, 2010-2011; Treasurer, 2009-2010; Board of Directors, 2007-2009  
State Bar of Georgia: Member, Disciplinary Rules and Procedure Committee, Member, Lawyer Advertising Task Force, 2006-2008; Northern District Representative, Young Lawyers Division (YLD), 2007-2009; YLD Ethics and Professionalism Co-Chair, 2007-2009; Member, YLD Minorities in the Profession Committee, 2006-2009  
Member, Georgia Association of Women Lawyers  
Member, Lawyers Club of Atlanta  
Barrister, Lumpkin Inn of Court, 2005-2007  
Board Member, GreenLaw  
L.E.A.D. Atlanta, 2008  
Georgia Bar Association Young Lawyers Division Leadership Academy, Inaugural Class 2006  
The Destiny Fund of the Atlanta Women's Foundation, 2007  
United Way of Atlanta Volunteer Involvement Program, 2006  
American Kidney Fund, Atlanta Division Council Chair, 2009-2010, Member 2006-2009

## **Honors & Awards**

Kerry Harike Joedecke Atlanta Young Lawyer of the Year Award, 2009  
Recipient of the Brenau Women's College Young Alumnae Award, 2003  
Georgia Rising Star, *Atlanta Magazine*