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## Biography

Christopher Brooks is an experienced insurance coverage and liability defense attorney based in Nashville, Tennessee. He has an extensive background in litigation and has effectively defended employers, insureds, and domestic and international insurers in various actions across the state of Tennessee and beyond. His practice areas include property and casualty, insurance coverage and defense, commercial general liability, and commercial litigation. Chris also provides coverage advice and opinions to insurers, prosecutes declaratory judgment actions, monitors and advises on potential excess claims and litigation, and defends coverage litigation brought by insureds.

Chris joined Fields Howell in 2021 after serving as an associate for nearly seven years at the Nashville office of a regional insurance defense firm based in the Atlanta area. He saw matters from initiation through resolution, conducting analysis, discovery, depositions, mediations, and arbitrations, even taking matters through trial when necessary. Chris also has extensive experience directly advising employers and carriers regarding coverage and employment-related matters.

A 2013 graduate of the University of Tennessee College of Law, Chris served as the Executive Editor of the Tennessee Law Review. He earned his bachelor's degree in political science with a minor in sociology from Emory University in 2008, including coursework at University College London. Before attending Emory, Chris completed coursework in political science, economics, and law from Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois.

## Education

- University of Tennessee College of Law, J.D., 2013
  - Executive Editor, *Tennessee Law Review*

    - UT Pro Bono Service Award
- Emory University, B.A., 2008
    - Major: Political Science; Minor: Sociology
- Northwestern University 2004-2005
    - Coursework in Political Science, Economics, & Law

## Memberships

- Tennessee Bar Association
- Risk & Insurance Management Society

## Admissions

### STATE BARS

State Bar of Tennessee

### DISTRICT COURTS

United States District Court for the Eastern District of Tennessee

United States District Court for the Middle District of Tennessee

United States District Court for the Western District of Tennessee

## Practice Areas

- Bad Faith
- Business & Partnership Disputes
- Casualty & Excess Casualty
- Catastrophic Loss Litigation
- Commercial General Liability
- Commercial Litigation
- Construction Law & Litigation
- Insurance Defense
- Property
- Subrogation