# Fields Howell

# Steven A. Kahn

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## **Biography**

Steve Kahn is an experienced attorney who specializes in both insurance coverage and liability defense. Steve has done work with Fields Howell's clients on claims pertaining to large property loss, products liability, and personal injury, among others. He has worked closely with adjusters and retained experts to protect Fields Howell's clients' rights and interests. Steve has significant experience negotiating pre–suit resolution in property claims, where appropriate, or litigating matters when necessary. Steve uses his years of experience to evaluate the best course of action for each claim, knowing that no two are exactly alike.

In 2018, Steve spent six months seconded to a Lloyd's Market insurer where he gained valuable insights into the entire claims process, with a focus on property losses throughout the United States. While there, on a daily basis he handled claims, worked with independent adjusters, retained experts, and resolved claims. He returned to Fields Howell's Atlanta headquarters at the start of 2019 as one of the firm's most experienced associates.

Steve joined Fields Howell in 2015 as an associate and was promoted to partner in 2020. Prior to joining Fields Howell, Steve was a Senior Associate at Ferguson, Frost, Moore & Young, LLP, in Birmingham, Alabama. There, he had a primary focus on complex litigation and coverage defense. Steve served as a staff attorney for the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit from 2011 to 2013.

Steve has served as a law clerk for Owens and Millsaps, LLP; a judicial intern for the Honorable Michael Warren of the Oakland County Circuit Court; and as a legal intern in the Domestic Cable Distribution Office at Warner Bros. in Burbank, California. While in school, he served as a Career Services Office Representative and President of the Sports and Entertainment Law Society, while also earning the

Lanier, Ford, Shaver & Payne Award in Intellectual Property.

Steve earned his Juris Doctor from the University of Alabama School of Law, magna cum laude, in 2010. While there, Steve served as a senior editor on the Law Review and as a member of the JAG Moot Court Team.

#### **Education**

- University of Alabama School of Law, J.D. 2010
  - magna cum laude
  - Alabama Law Review, Senior Editor
  - Judge Advocate General Moot Court Team
  - Bench and Bar Legal Honor Society
- University of Michigan, B.A., 2007
  - University Honors

#### **Presentations and Publications**

"Litigating in the United States," presentation by Stephen A. Kahn to clients in Atlanta, GA (October 2019)

Fair Debt Collection Practices Act and Collecting Judgment, prepared by Setara Foster, Stephen A. Kahn, and Neal Moore, III, (2014).

### **Experience / Results**

Succeeded at summary judgment in a declaratory judgment action filed in the Northern District of Alabama.

Succeeded at summary judgment in a subrogation action against a contractor who burned down an insured's house.

Succeeded on a motion to dismiss in a multi-million dollar property loss claim.

### **Admissions**

STATE BARS

State Bar of Alabama

State Bar of Georgia

State Bar of Michigan

#### APPELLATE COURTS

U.S. Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit

#### **DISTRICT COURTS**

- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Alabama
- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Alabama
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Alabama
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia
- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Georgia

### **Practice Areas**

- Accident & Health
- Appellate Litigation
- Bad Faith
- Bankruptcy & Insolvency Litigation
- Casualty & Excess Casualty
- Commercial General Liability
- Financial Risks
- Insurance Defense
- Motor Carrier
- Products Liability
- Property
- Subrogation