

Sharon D. Stuart

Birmingham Bar Association President

Sharon Stuart, a founding partner of Christian & Small, handles complex commercial, insurance, and product liability litigation, and class actions. She is President and Claims Counsel of Attorneys Insurance Mutual of the South, Alabama's bar-related malpractice insurer. Sharon graduated from Samford University and Cumberland School of Law. She served as Associate Editor of The Cumberland Law Review and was a member of the National Trial Advocacy Team. She served as the first law clerk for United States District Judge Sharon Lovelace Blackburn.

Professional Involvement

Sharon gives freely of her time and energy to strengthen our legal community through mentorship, education, fostering collegiality, and improving relations between the bench and bar. Her service includes:

- **Birmingham Bar Association:** President Elect; Executive Committee (2019-2021); Court Liaison Committee; Chair, Long Range Planning Committee; Chair, Civil Courts Procedures Committee; Public Service Committee; Chair, Ethics Committee; Grievance Committee Young Lawyers Representative; Mentor, Young Lawyer Mentoring Program; Mentor, Women's Section Mentoring Program; Member, Women's Section; Presenter at numerous BBA CLE seminars.

- **Birmingham Bar Foundation:** Member, Board of Directors (2021-2022); Supreme Court Oral Arguments Committee; 2022 Executive Director Search Committee.

- **Alabama State Bar:** Alabama State Bar Board of Legal Specialization & Certification Task Force; Diversity and Inclusion in the Profession Committee; Bench & Bar Relations Task Force; Co-Chair, Insurance Benefits Committee; Strategic Planning Task Force; Legal Malpractice Insurance Task Force; Future of the Legal Profession Task Force; Lawyers Helping Lawyers Committee; Women Lawyers Section.

- **Alabama Defense Lawyers Association:** President (2017-2018); Secretary/Treasurer; Board Member; Chair, Amicus Curiae Committee; Women in the Law Committee.



- **American Inns of Court:** Master Bencher and member of the formation committee, Judge James Edwin Horton American Inn of Court (Cumberland School of Law); Master Bencher, Arthur D. Shores – Robert S. Vance American Inn of Court;

- **Alabama Supreme Court Standing Committee** on the Alabama Rules of Civil Procedure (2020-present).

- **Bench and Bar Advisory Committee**, U.S. District Court, N.D. Alabama (2015-2020).

Community Involvement

Sharon has worked to improve the greater community through service as a Trustee of Samford University, as Board Chair of M-Power Ministries, as a Board Member of the Literacy Council, as a member of the WBHM Radio Advisory Board, and as an Adult Sunday School Teacher at Dawson Memorial Baptist Church.

Honors and Recognition

Sharon has been honored as a legal and community leader by being named a Fellow of the Birmingham Bar Foundation, the American Bar Foundation, and the Alabama Law Foundation. Birmingham Business Journal featured her in 2017 "Women to Watch". She is a graduate of Leadership Birmingham, Class of 2012.

"As Birmingham Bar President, I look forward to helping other lawyers experience the wonderful service opportunities, professional growth, and friendships developed through working with and learning from other lawyers that the Birmingham Bar has provided to me."