The American College of Trial Attorneys Taps Beck Redden Attorney

The American College of Trial Lawyers: The Best of the Trial Bars

The American College of Trial Lawyers is recognized as the leading trial lawyers organization in the United States and Canada. Membership is by invitation only and is limited to only those trial lawyers who are "unquestionably and eminently qualified," and regarded as the best in their state. Qualifications include high ethical and moral standards, as well as excellent character.

Raising the Bar - A Conversation with Fields Alexander

Why did you become a lawyer?

"Well my father was a trial lawyer and that certainly had an impact, as it was obvious to me that he loved what he did. But he never pushed me into the law. To the contrary, he always made it clear to me that trial work is something you should do only if you feel drawn to it, as it is not an easy way to make a living. Fortunately, I am drawn to it. I love advocacy. I enjoy the competition in it, and I am honored that I have the opportunity to put other people's problems on my back and work on solving them."

How do you feel having been elected into the American College of Trial Lawyers?

"Honored and humbled, to be quite honest with you. The talent and accomplishments of the men and women that are in the College is staggering, and I am frankly both honored and very humbled to have been invited to join their ranks. Equally important to me is the emphasis the College places on professionalism and collegiality. These are both preconditions

to election, and they are traits that I take very seriously."

What do you credit for getting you to this point in your law career?

"I have been blessed to work under a number of excellent mentors along the way. That list has to start with Judge Lee Rosenthal, with whom I worked as a judicial clerk my first year out of law school. Following that clerkship, I have been privileged to work with a number of exceptional trial lawyers, many of whom were also members of the College. These would include, among many others, Knox Nunnally, Bob Schick, Dick McCarroll, and of course David Beck."

You are the sixth attorney from Beck Redden to be elected into the American College of Trial Lawyers. What does this say about the Firm?

"It says a lot about David Beck, the founder of our Firm. His dedication to both the craft of advocacy and to professionalism is at the forefront of everything he does. At Beck Redden certain things are non-negotiable. We are to always put forth our very best effort for our clients, and to do so without sacrificing an ounce of professionalism in our dealings with opposing counsel, their clients, and of course the courts."

Read more about Fields Alexander.