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For more than a decade, Allison has represented health care institutions, physicians, senior living facilities, nursing homes, and other health care providers in litigation involving claims of professional negligence related to patient care. Allison has experience in products liability, commercial litigation, and contractual litigation. Her experience includes representing clients in medical malpractice, toxic tort, personal injury, pharmaceutical defense, financial institutions, and related cases. She is an experienced litigator who has tried complex multi-week trials, handled mediations, and dealt with all stages of litigation obtaining successful results for her clients.

She enjoys learning about the intricate details and scientific facts connected to her clients' work, and she regularly reads and reviews new legal authority and medical science journals. These qualities are essential and keep her ready to handle complex issues and testimony involving expert witnesses. Allison has extensive experience practicing in both state and federal courts, including experience in complex and multi-district litigation. She is licensed to practice law in Ohio, Kentucky, and Texas.

Services

- Litigation
- Mass Tort
- Tort

Education

- University of Virginia School of Law (J.D., 2009)
- University of Kentucky (B.A., *summa cum laude*, 2006)
 - Political Science

Bar Admissions

- Ohio
- Kentucky
- Texas

Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio

Affiliations/Memberships

- Houston Bar Association
- Houston Young Lawyers Association
- Texas Accountants and Lawyers for the Arts
- Houston Volunteer Lawyers Program
- Ohio State Bar Association
- Defense Research Institute

Experience

Successfully Defended Ohio Hospital at Trial

We represented a local hospital and its employee in a lawsuit filed by a patient in the Hamilton County, Ohio Court of Common Pleas. The patient claimed that his hearing was permanently damaged because of an MRI at our client's facility. We tried the case for approximately one week. After 45 minutes, the Hamilton County jury returned a unanimous verdict in favor of our client, finding that the hospital employee did not violate the standard of care for an MRI technician.

Fixodent Denture Cream Litigation

Dinsmore's Product Liability Team recently received a ruling in favor of The Procter & Gamble Defendants ("P&G") which is the first in the country to assess and reject the scientific basis for lawsuits filed by a number of Fixodent® users.

Frank C. Woodside, III, and his team serve as counsel for P&G defendants concerning Denture Adhesive Litigation. In that litigation, Judge Cecilia Altonaga oversees discovery in the Multi-District Litigation involving more than 150 plaintiffs who seek damages for personal injuries that allegedly resulted from their use of excessive amounts of Fixodent, manufactured by P&G, and/or Poligrip, manufactured by GlaxoSmithKline. The current litigation was initiated in 2009 against P&G. The Federal cases were eventually consolidated in Miami with a number of other cases pending in state courts throughout the country. P&G has steadfastly defended the safety of Fixodent.

On June 13, 2011 Judge Altonaga issued a *Daubert* opinion granting P&G's motion to exclude virtually all of the Plaintiffs' proposed expert opinion testimony that purportedly supported the link between extremely excessive use of Fixodent denture adhesive and neurological disease.

Publications

May 4, 2020

Investigations against Health Care Facilities and Nursing Homes on the Rise

June 13, 2013

The Bradford Hill Criteria: The Forgotten Predicate

Thomas Jefferson Law Review