

BONIFACE G. ECHOLS, ESQ.

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Accomplished attorney with more than thirty years of experience representing individuals, businesses, fiduciaries, governmental entities, and court-appointed representatives throughout Georgia. Extensive experience in probate administration, fiduciary representation, judicial receiverships, commercial litigation, bankruptcy, commercial real estate, business transactions, and administrative proceedings. Recognized for successfully managing complex legal matters involving multi-million-dollar assets, operating businesses, and fiduciary estates requiring exceptional judgment, financial oversight, and statutory compliance.

Throughout his career, Mr. Echols has earned the confidence of courts across Georgia through appointments as Receiver, County Administrator, Conservator, Hearing Officer, Special Master, and Neutral Investigator. His practice combines sophisticated legal counsel, courtroom advocacy, business management, and fiduciary administration.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

The Echols Law Firm, LLC — Atlanta, Georgia

Managing Member | December 1993 – Present

- Lead a statewide law practice concentrating in probate administration, fiduciary representation, receiverships, commercial litigation, business law, bankruptcy, and commercial real estate.
- Regularly appointed by Georgia courts to serve as Receiver, County Administrator, Conservator, Hearing Officer, Special Master, and Neutral Investigator.
- Administer estates, conservatorships, guardianships, and fiduciary matters.
- Manage court-supervised estates, businesses, commercial properties, and financial assets.
- Serve as Receiver for automotive dealerships, medical practices, restaurants, COAM businesses, retail establishments, and other commercial enterprises.
- Exercise fiduciary responsibility over assets exceeding \$10 million, including businesses employing more than 350 employees.
- Represent fiduciaries in probate proceedings.
- Conduct commercial real estate transactions and represent corporate creditors in bankruptcy.

- Advise businesses regarding governance, contracts, risk management, and regulatory compliance.

Court & Government Appointments

- County Administrator — Georgia Probate Courts
- Conservator — Georgia Probate Courts
- Court-Appointed Receiver — Georgia Superior Courts
- Hearing Officer — Clayton County Public Schools
- County Administrator — Clayton County Probate Court
- Special Master — Macon-Bibb County
- Hearing Officer — Macon-Bibb County
- Neutral Investigator — Macon-Bibb County

Hall, Bloch, Garland & Meyer, LLP — Atlanta & Macon, Georgia

Of Counsel | May 2021 – August 2023

- Negotiated commercial and residential real estate transactions.
- Drafted and negotiated commercial leases.
- Negotiated business acquisition and sale agreements.
- Represented creditors in bankruptcy proceedings.
- Defended employers in FELA actions.
- Represented fiduciaries in probate matters.

Brunswick Judicial Circuit — Brunswick, Georgia

Special Assistant District Attorney (Contract) | July 2020 – December 2020

- Represented the State of Georgia in civil public nuisance litigation.
- Conducted hearings, argued motions, negotiated settlements, and prosecuted nuisance abatement actions.
- Collaborated with state and local agencies.

EDUCATION

Atlanta's John Marshall Law School
Juris Doctor, 1993

Georgia State University
Bachelor of Arts, Interdisciplinary Studies, 1991

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- State Bar of Georgia
- Clayton County Bar Association
- 100 Black Men of DeKalb, Inc.

PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

- Board Member, Georgia Piedmont Technical College Paralegal Studies Program Advisory Board
- Former Board Member, Henry-McDonough Boys & Girls Club

BAR ADMISSION

State Bar of Georgia — Admitted 1993