Lyn Pruitt

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Education

J.D., University of Arkansas at Little Rock, 1984

B.A., Ouachita Baptist University, 1980 (*summa cum laude*)

Bar Admissions

Not admitted in Illinois

Arkansas

Texas

Lyn Pruitt has more than three decades of experience as a first-chair trial lawyer in major product liability and other complex disputes in state and federal courts. Ms. Pruitt has served as lead trial counsel and on national trial teams for pharmaceutical, medical device and other companies in some of the largest and first-of-their-kind cases in the United States, including bellwether trials and multidistrict litigation matters.

She has also represented *Fortune* 500 companies in consumer class action and toxic tort litigation. Her class action practice includes class certification strategy, briefing and argument at all levels — including representing a defendant insurance company in the first class action case decided by the U.S. Supreme Court concerning Class Action Fairness Act (CAFA) jurisdiction.

A fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, Ms. Pruitt has tried over 60 trials to verdict — securing defense verdicts in product liability, medical malpractice and other complex cases — and obtained numerous other favorable resolutions. Clients regularly turn to Ms. Pruitt for her strategic guidance in developing and preparing narratives for bellwether trials.

In recognition of her work, Ms. Pruitt has been repeatedly named to *Chambers Global* and *Chambers USA*, in which clients have praised her as "incredibly good in the courtroom and on her feet," "very relatable to a jury" and "a truly outstanding trial lawyer and practical legal adviser."

Ms. Pruitt has also been repeatedly honored by *Benchmark Litigation*, including as a National Practice Area Star in 2027, a Litigation Star and one of its Top 250 Women in Litigation. She has also been recognized by *Lawdragon* as one of its 500 Leading Litigators in America and by *Best Lawyers*, including twice each as its Lawyer of the Year for Personal Injury Litigation — Defendants and for Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions Defendants.

In addition, she has been honored as Arkansas Defense Lawyer of the Year by the Arkansas Association of Defense Counsel and an Arkansas 250 Most Influential Leader by *Arkansas Business*.