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## Education

University of Georgia, J.D.,  
*cum laude*, 2009

- Articles Editor, *Georgia Law Review*
- Winner, Talmadge Moot Court Competition
- Winner and Best Oralist, Russell Moot Court Competition
- Winner, Beaird Closing Argument Competition
- Order of the Barristers

University of Georgia,  
M.P.A., 2005

University of Georgia, B.A.,  
*magna cum laude*, 2005

- Foundation Fellow
- Phi Beta Kappa
- President, Student Government Association

## Previous Experience

Law Clerk, Judge Richard W. Story, U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia, 2009-2011

## Manoj S. "Sachin" Varghese, Partner

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Sachin primarily represents plaintiffs in complex trial and appellate litigation, including victims of criminal conduct and whistleblowers, and has helped plaintiffs recover more than \$300 million dollars. He has extensive experience pursuing state and federal RICO claims. Sachin also represents defendants in business disputes, governmental entities in litigation, and parties in election-related matters. Sachin also serves as General Counsel for the Democratic Party of Georgia.

Before joining the firm, Sachin served as a law clerk to the Honorable Richard W. Story in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Georgia.

Sachin received his law degree from the University of Georgia School of Law, where he served as an editor of the Law Review and a member of the national moot court competition team. He received his undergraduate degree in political science and a Master of Public Administration degree from the University of Georgia School of Public and International Affairs.

## Representative Work

- Currently representing the family members of opioid drug abusers against defendants, including pharmaceutical distributors, that illegally flooded their communities with opioids and other controlled substances.
- Currently representing sex trafficking victims against hotels that facilitated and participated in their trafficking.
- Successfully defended the City of Atlanta's COVID-19 mask order against a lawsuit brought by Governor Kemp.
- Successfully defended Athens-Clarke County against challenges to its COVID-related ordinances.
- Successfully represented two whistleblowers in a False Claims Act case against a pharmaceutical company for paying kickbacks to induce doctors to prescribe its drug for off-label uses. The case resulted in a \$116 million global civil/criminal settlement.
- Successfully represented a woman who was sexually harassed by prominent on-air media personalities, and obtained a confidential settlement prior to filing suit.
- Successfully served as plaintiffs' counsel in an action alleging professional malpractice, fraud, and RICO claims against a Big Four accounting firm, resulting in a confidential settlement.
- Successfully served as plaintiffs' counsel in a class action breach of contract/RICO case alleging that a Fortune 100 shipping company intentionally overcharged its customers by imposing unwarranted delivery surcharges. The case settled for \$21.5 million.
- Successfully represented defendants in obtaining a jury verdict on all claims, including RICO claim, in an action brought by a former business partner seeking over \$5 million in damages.
- Successfully defended a corporation against claims by a competitor of tortious interference with contract.

## **Admissions**

State Bar of Georgia

U.S. Court of Appeals for  
the Eleventh Circuit

U.S. District Court for the  
Northern District of Georgia

U.S. District Court for  
the Western District of  
Tennessee

Supreme Court of Georgia

Georgia Court of Appeals

- Successfully defended a corporation against claims by minority shareholders of fraud and wrongdoing.

## **PRO BONO CASES**

- Successfully represented an inmate abused by a prison official.
- Represented tenants facing eviction through AVLF's Eviction Defense Program.
- Represented the Legislative Black Caucus of Georgia, Georgia Association of Latino Elected Officials, and League of United Latin American Citizens in challenging Georgia's 2011 redistricting plans.
- Represented a death row inmate in challenging Georgia's lethal injection secrecy act, including oral argument before the Georgia Supreme Court.
- Successfully represented an elected official in pursuing a defamation claim relating to false political advertising.

## **Professional Activities**

Fair Count, Board of Directors, Member

Georgia Budget and Policy Institute, Board of Directors, Member

Planned Parenthood Southeast Advocates, Board of Directors, Member

University of Georgia Law School Association Council, Member

Alliance for Justice Building the Bench Advisory Council, Member

American Constitution Society, Georgia Lawyers Chapter Executive Board, Member

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