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John is a trial lawyer with a national class action practice focused on complex litigation, including insurance, consumer protection, and commercial disputes. He has served as co-counsel in numerous high-impact cases, helping secure landmark results. John has also co-counseled and resolved multiple class actions, delivering more than $2 billion in class benefits. He brings a strategic, results-driven approach to large, multi-jurisdictional matters.

Representative Cases

- Co-counsel for Arkansas Public Employers Retirement System in case alleging securities fraud in *In re Brocade Securities Litigation* (3:05-cv-02042), which resulted in a $160,000,000 settlement for the class. The case involved claims for violations of "stock options backdating," and the settlement was close to a 100% recovery for the class.
- Co-counsel for Arkansas Teachers Retirement System in securities fraud action in *In re MGM Mirage Securities Litigation* (2:09-cv-01558), where a settlement of $75,000,000 dollars for the class was recovered.
- Co-counsel for Arkansas Teachers Retirement System in securities fraud litigation against Adeptus Health, Inc. (4:17-cv-0449), where a settlement of $44,000,000 in damages was obtained for the class.
- Co-counsel for Arkansas State Highway Employee Retirement System in securities fraud litigation case (2:13-cv-09174) in which $15,000,000 was recovered for the class.
- Co-counsel in representing a nationwide class action on behalf of clients of certain accounting firms in the Arkansas State Court styled *Warmack-Muskogee vs Pricewaterhouse Coopers, et al* Civil Action No. CV-01-504-3. Through that litigation, the class alleged that the accounting firms overcharged their clients for costs and expenses paid to travel vendors. As a result of the litigation, class counsel obtained settlements in the total amount of $108,000,000.
- Co-counsel successfully representing a nationwide class against Google, Inc. The case gained national recognition in its successful efforts to protect advertising clients from "click fraud" from their internet provider Google, Inc. As a result of this litigation a settlement which received final approval in the amount of $90,000,000 was obtained.
- Co-counsel in resolving the following class action cases: *Beasley, et al vs Reliable Insurance, et al,* CV-05-058, *Larry Berry , et al vs Titeflex Corporation, et al,* CV-04-211(Clark County Arkansas), *Anthony Hunsucker, et al vs American Standard Insurance Company of Wisconsin, et al,* CV-07-155, *Glenn Gross, et al vs Atlantic Lloyds Insurance Company of Texas, et al* CV-07-374, *Tom Simental vs California State Automobile Association, et al,* CV-07-359, *Bonnie Johnson, et al vs Clarendon American* Insurance Company, *et al*, CV-07-138, *Gary White, et al vs American Casualty Company of Reading PA, et al* CV-07-419, *Martha Hogue, et al vs Federated Mutual Insurance Company, et al,* CV-07-267, *Lorene Atkinson, et al vs General Casualty Company of Wisconsin*, *et al,* CV-07-126, *Martha Sweeten*, *et al vs American Empire Insurance Company, et al,* CV-07-154, *George Zarebski, et al vs Hartford Insurance Company of the Midwest, et al,* CV-06-409-3, *Phyllis Gibson, et al vs Hanover Insurance Company, et al,* CV-07-429, *Kathern Pizarro, et al vs Horace Mann Insurance Company, et al*, CV-07-428, *Glenn Gross vs Insurance Company of the West, et al,* CV-07-358, *Erlinda Soto, et al vs AAA Mid-Atlantic Insurance Company of New Jersey, et al* CV-07-368, *Sylvia Webb, et al vs The First Liberty Insurance Corporation, et al,* CV-07-418, *Craig Gooding, et al vs Grange Indemnity Insurance Company, et al* CV-07-456, *Victoria Jones vs American Hardware Mutual Insurance Company, et al* CV- 07-470, *Sheila Frugia, et al vs Allied P&C Insurance Company, et al,* CV-07-417, *Dusty Easley, et al vs Ohio Casualty Insurance Company, et al,* CV-07-139, *Jessica Parker, et al vs Mountain Laurel Assurance Company, et al*, CV-07-415, *Glenn Gross, et al vs W.R. Berkley Corporation, et al,* CV-07-264, *Chad Hunter, et al vs American Central Insurance Company, et al*, CV-07-071, *Glenn Gross, et al, vs Graphic Arts Mutual Insurance Company, et al,* CV-07-086, which have resulted in class benefits which have exceeded $1.5 billion dollars.
- Co-counsel in the class action depreciation of labor cases against numerous insurance carriers: *Larey, et al vs. Allstate Property & Casualty Insurance Company,* 14-cv-4008, *Green and Edwards, et al vs. American Modern Home Insurance Company,*14-cv-1474 *Braden and Brown, et al vs. Foremost Insurance Company Grand Rapids Michigan,* 15-cv-4114, *Brown, et al vs. Homesite Group Incorporated d/b/a Homesite Home Insurance,* 14-cv-4026, *Raffaelli and Simpson, et al vs. Certain Underwriters at Lloyd's London,* 46CV-14-213, *Cherry and Keener, et al vs. Shelter Mutual Insurance Company, 46CV-15-69, Goodner, et al vs Shelter Mutual Insurance Company,* 14-cv-4013, *Adams, et al vs United* Services Automivle Association, USAA Casualty Insurance Company, USAA General Indemnity Company, and Garrison Property and Casualty Insurance Company, CV-2015-105, which resulted in class benefits which exceeded $42,000,000 dollars.

Memberships

- Arkansas Bar Association

Community Involvement

- Board of Trustees – University of Arkansas, 2010-2020
- Chairman, Board of Trustees – University of Arkansas, 2018-2020

Education

- University of Arkansas, B.S.B.A.
- University of Arkansas School of Law, J.D.

Admissions

- Arkansas
- USDC, Eastern District of Arkansas
- USDC, Western District of Arkansas
- US Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit