

Tyson & Mendes Expands Atlanta Office with New Leadership and Addition of Partner

ATLANTA, GA, UNITED STATES, September 1, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- National insurance defense trial firm [Tyson & Mendes](#), LLP announced today the expansion of its Atlanta office with the addition of Bobbie Ann Henderson as Branch Office Managing Partner and Winfield Pollidore as Partner. The



strategic expansion comes in response to the complexity of Georgia's litigation landscape and increasing client demand. With an expanded team on the ground and unparalleled national support, Tyson & Mendes is uniquely positioned to stop the growing threat of Nuclear Verdicts® in the jurisdiction.



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Henderson is an accomplished attorney with more than 25 years of experience handling high-exposure litigation, with a practice focused on complex commercial and business litigation, insurance tort liability and defense, construction defect and premises liability/negligent security matters. As Branch Office Managing Partner, she will lead the Atlanta office - leveraging her extensive litigation background, trial experience and proven leadership to strengthen Tyson & Mendes' presence throughout Georgia and the broader

Southeast.

"I am thrilled to join Tyson & Mendes and lead the Atlanta office during such an exciting period of growth," said Henderson. "The firm's commitment to trial excellence, client service, collaboration, and education is unparalleled. I look forward to working alongside our dynamic Georgia attorneys and leveraging The ApexSM to continue delivering exceptional results for our clients and the industry."

Pollidore joins the firm as Partner, bringing extensive civil litigation experience across a range of matters, including construction defects, motor vehicle accidents, property damage, premises liability, and product liability. Prior to his career as a litigator, Pollidore worked as a mechanical engineer in the automotive industry, experience which he leverages to navigate both technical

and legal complexities with finesse and clarity. His broad litigation experience and commitment to client advocacy will further strengthen the Atlanta office and the firm's robust trial bench.

"I am honored and excited to join Tyson & Mendes, a firm whose unique and innovative approach, combined with a deep commitment to client excellence aligns perfectly with my goals and practice," said Pollidore. "I look forward to working alongside Bobbie Ann and the rest of the Georgia team to provide the exceptional representation and results our clients have come to expect."

"Bobbie Ann and Winfield are exceptional trial lawyers and leaders, and we are thrilled to welcome them to our growing Atlanta office," said National Managing Partner Cayce Lynch. "Bobbie Ann's extensive experience and commitment to client service make her an ideal fit to lead the office as our Atlanta Branch Office Managing Partner. Our clients and teams will benefit from her robust experience and commitment to mentorship, which has increasingly become more important in an evolving insurance defense industry."

The firm's Georgia office opened in 2024, led by Southeast Regional Managing Partner E. Holland "Holly" Howanitz, who oversees the firm's five offices throughout Georgia and Florida. Howanitz added of the expansion, "In a region where we are frequently in trial, deepening our bench in Georgia with skilled trial lawyers is necessary to continue to meet the needs of our clients and to ensure continued superior results on our cases. I am excited to work with Bobbie Ann and Winfield, and to welcome them to our Southeast team."

"Georgia is an important and increasingly complex jurisdiction for our clients, and this expansion of our bench there reflects our commitment to being where our clients need us most," said Founding Partner Robert Tyson, Jr. "Bobbie Ann and Winfield bring the experience, leadership, and trial focus necessary to take our Georgia teams to the next level."

Serving 22 states nationwide across 28 offices, Tyson & Mendes is one of the fastest-growing civil defense firms in the U.S. The firm is proud to offer one of the clearest paths to partnership of any mid-sized law firm in the U.S. and invests more in educating and training its attorneys than any other insurance defense firm.

For more information and to view career opportunities, visit www.tysonmendes.com.

About Tyson & Mendes LLP

Tyson & Mendes LLP is a nationwide, AV-rated litigation and trial firm specializing in insurance defense and protecting its clients from Nuclear Verdicts®. Founded in 2002 by Robert Tyson and Patrick Mendes, the firm has experienced tremendous growth, with offices across the United States. Tyson & Mendes is known for its expertise in defending corporations, insurance companies, and their clients against Nuclear Verdicts®.

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For more information, visit www.tysonmendes.com.

About Apex Defense Consulting

Apex Defense Consulting is a specialized insurance defense consulting firm, offering educational, community, and consulting services via a slate of experienced trial lawyers and Nuclear Verdict® experts. Founded in 2025, Apex Defense Consulting is the first of its kind within the insurance defense industry and is poised to revolutionize the industry with The ApexSM, the first and only data-backed and trial-tested blueprint for the defense to stop outsized and unjust Nuclear Verdicts®.

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