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— BIOGRAPHY

Christopher Heller works primarily in the areas of Commercial Litigation, Labor and Employment Law and Education Law. The majority of his practice consists of trial and appellate work.

He primarily represents businesses and public entities in class actions and other cases involving natural resources, insurance, trade secrets, employment, civil rights, education, contracts and other issues.

Chris is listed in *The Best Lawyers in America* in Appellate Practice, Commercial Litigation, Bet-the-Company Litigation, Litigation – Labor and Employment, Employment Law – Management and Education Law. In 2018, he was named “Lawyer of the Year” in Little Rock by *Best Lawyers* for his work in appellate law and earned the title again in 2019 for his work in education law.

— EDUCATION

- University of Arkansas at Little Rock School of Law, J.D., With Honors, 1981
 - Editor in Chief, *Law Review*
- University of Miami, B.G.S., 1975

— NOTEWORTHY

- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*, since 2006:
 - Administrative/Regulatory Law
 - Appellate Practice
 - Bet-the-Company Litigation
 - Commercial Litigation
 - Education Law
 - Employment Law – Management
 - Litigation – Labor and Employment
- Named Lawyer of the Year by *Best Lawyers in America*, Little Rock
 - Education Practice, 2019, 2016 & 2014
 - Appellate Practice, 2018
 - Employment Law, 2015 & 2023

Practice Areas

Labor & Employment

Appellate Law

Business, Corporate & Commercial

Class Action

Commercial Litigation & Regulatory

Constitutional Law

Education

Employment Litigation

Energy, Natural Resources & Utilities

Litigation

Torts & Insurance

Industries

Construction & Real Estate

Education

Energy, Natural Resources & Utilities

Healthcare, Medical & Pharmaceutical

Insurance

Manufacturing & Industrial

Retail, Franchise & Consumer Products

- Note, *Civil Procedure: Collateral Estoppel*, 3 U. Ark. Little Rock Law Rev. 703, 1980
- Ranked in *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers in Business*, Labor and Employment, since 2018
- Rated AV Preeminent by Martindale–Hubbell
- Selected to the *Mid-South Super Lawyers* List, since 2012
 - Top 50: Arkansas Super Lawyers
- Special Arkansas Supreme Court Justice, *Holt v. City of Maumelle*, 307 Ark. 115, 817 S.W.2d 208 (1991)
- Voted by the readers of *AY Magazine* for inclusion in the “Best Lawyers in Arkansas,” Education Law, 2018

— ASSOCIATIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS

- American Bar Association
- Arkansas Bar Foundation, Fellow
- National School Boards Association Council of School Attorneys
- Pulaski County Bar Association

— ADMISSIONS

- Arkansas, 1981
- Colorado (Inactive)
- Eastern and Western Federal Districts of Arkansas
- United States Courts of Appeals for the Fifth, Eighth and Eleventh Circuits
- United States Supreme Court

— RECOGNITION



— REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS

- Manufacturers
- Insurance Companies
- Oil and Gas Producers
- School Districts