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I chose to practice at Taylor English because the firm has a vision that allows for creatively serving clients. Having the flexibility to partner with clients on achieving their goals while also having broad experience across the firm is the ideal combination to ensure we are able to achieve my clients' goals.

Bryan P. Tyson focuses on civil litigation, appellate litigation, election law, and government. He primarily represents governments, candidates, and companies in election and campaign finance matters.

Previously, Mr. Tyson served as the Executive Director of the Georgia Public Defender Council, a role that has been described as the managing partner of the largest criminal defense firm in the state. He was appointed to that position by Governor Nathan Deal. As Executive Director, he was responsible for overseeing more than 500 attorney employees, 200 attorneys working under contracts, and 400 staff and investigators in 43 judicial circuits across the state. He secured funding increases of more than \$11 million, ended litigation against the agency, and professionalized agency operations. He also personally visited every judicial circuit where GPDC operates.

Before serving at GPDC, Mr. Tyson was an associate at a litigation boutique, where he focused on civil and appellate litigation in state and federal court. With other lawyers in the firm, Mr. Tyson advised the Georgia General Assembly during its 2011 redistricting process and was appointed as Special Assistant Attorney General to assist in securing federal approval of all three redistricting plans adopted by the legislature during its special session. He has represented clients before the Georgia Court of Appeals, the Georgia Supreme Court, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, and the U.S. Supreme Court.

Prior to admission to the bar, he worked in the Georgia General Assembly, most recently with the office of the minority leader of the Georgia House of Representatives. Following his work in the Georgia General Assembly, Mr. Tyson served as a policy aide to former Third District Congressman Lynn Westmoreland in Washington, D.C.

SERVICES

Litigation and Dispute Resolution

EDUCATION

Oak Brook College of Law, JD,
magna cum laude

BAR ADMISSIONS

Georgia
California

COURTS & ADJUDICATIVE BODIES

Georgia Court of Appeals
Georgia Supreme Court
U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia
U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Georgia
U.S. District Court for the Central District of California
U.S. Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit
United States Supreme Court
California Supreme Court
California State Courts

ACCOLADES

Georgia Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, Indigent Defense Award, 2017

Fulton County Daily Report, Attorney of the Year, Finalist,

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Mr. Tyson was awarded the 2017 Indigent Defense Award from the Georgia Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers. He was also selected as one of five finalists for the *Fulton County Daily Reports* 2015 Attorney of the Year award and was selected for inclusion in the 2011, 2014, and 2015 Georgia *Super Lawyers*-Rising Stars lists.

2015

Georgia *Super Lawyers*, Rising Star, 2011, 2014-2015**MEMBERSHIPS**

State Bar of Georgia

State Bar of California

Indigent Defense Committee of the State Bar of Georgia, Member

Appellate Practice Section of the State Bar of Georgia, Chair, 2014-2015, Member

Governor's Appellate Jurisdiction Review Commission, 2015

Federalist Society, Executive Board Member

Emory University Board of Visitors, Member

American Enterprise Institute Leadership Network, Member

Republican National Lawyers Association, Member

The Georgia Resource Center, Inc., Board of Directors

ALERTS

Three Things to Know When Encouraging People and Employees to Vote, November 2, 2020

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Guest Lecturer, "Leadership and Organizational Behavior", Master of Public Administration program for Dr. Karen Owen, Reinhardt University, 2016

"Emerging Legal Issues for Universities", Georgia Independent Colleges Association, 2014

"Developments in Voting Rights Act Section 2 Litigation", Government Law CLE, 2014

"Ethical Obligations of Legislative Staff Lawyers", Georgia Legislative Attorney CLE, 2014

Moderator, "Professionalism in the Appellate Process", included the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Georgia and Court of Appeals Judges, 2014

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"Higher Education Law Update", Georgia Independent Colleges Association, 2014

"Ethics, Conflicts of Interest, and Gifts", Georgia State Senate, 2013

"What You Need to Know: 2014 Ethics", Georgia Professional Lobbyists Association, 2013

Guest Lecturer, "Redistricting for Dr. Charles Bullock", University of Georgia, Legislative Politics class, 2011

"HIPAA – What Is It and Why Do We Care?", Georgia Child Welfare Legal Academy, Emory University, 2011

HEADLINES

"Georgia Adds 1 Million Residents, Keeps 14 House Seats After 2020 Census," GPB News, April 26, 2021

"Pandemic Forces Georgia Counties To Get Creative With Polling Places," WABE, November 2, 2020

"Here Are Some of the Legal Scenarios That Could Play Out With This Year's Election," WSB-TV, October 20, 2020

"Judge Denies Petition to Remove Stonecrest Councilwoman Over Absences," Atlanta Journal-Constitution, September 30, 2020

"Fix Coming to Georgia Touchscreens to Restore Missing Senate Candidates," Atlanta Journal-Constitution, September 28, 2020

"Experts Discuss Ga.'s Voting System In Election Machine Trial," Law360 , September 10, 2020

"Republicans Keep Top Billing on Georgia Ballots, Judge Rules," *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, August 17, 2020

Lawsuit Over Voting Power in Georgia Dismissed, *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, April 14, 2020

"Judge Rules Gwinnett Doesn't Have to Open Early-Voting Locations Sooner," *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, March 3, 2020

Judge Rules Stonecrest City Councilmember Cobble May Keep Seat, *On Common Ground News*, February 15, 2020

Suit to End Long Voting Lines in Georgia's Largest Counties Fails, *Cobb Business Journal*, February 12, 2020

Year in Review: Frank Strickland, Bryan Tyson and Oscar Persons join Taylor English, *Daily Report*, December 27, 2019

Law Firm Partner Appointed To Georgia Resource Center's Board of Directors, *Cobb Business Journal*, September 25, 2019

Prominent Political Lawyers Regroup at Taylor English From Strickland Brockington Lewis, *Daily Report*, March 18, 2019

Taylor English, Taylor English Decisions Names New Lawyers, *Marietta Daily Journal*, *Metro Atlanta CEO*, and *Mid-Market Report*, March 7, 2019

State rep. wins challenge, judge orders 3rd election, Fox 5 News, February 2, 2019

Voting Machines and Anomalies Take Center Stage in Trial Contesting Lt. Gov.'s Election, *Daily Report*, January 17, 2019

7th District: Bourdeaux concedes following recounts, *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, November 21, 2018

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VERIFY: Trump rally by the numbers, 13 WMAZ-TV, November 5, 2018

Legal Brawl Marks Race to Replace Ga. House Judiciary Chairman, *Daily Report*, October 15, 2018

City solicitor says there's 'nothing illegal' about reducing fines to get people to vote, WSB-TV News, October 11, 2018

Did prosecutor violate election laws in courtroom voter registration push?, Fox 5 News, October 10, 2018

Top Public Defender, Returning to Law Firm Life, Points Up 'Contrast' at Office He Leaves Behind, *Daily Report*, August 2, 2018

Georgia Prosecutors, Public Defenders Keep Their Eye on Salaries, *Daily Report*, July 6, 2018

Too broke for bail? Tell the judge, and he may give you a break, *Macon Telegraph*, March 13, 2018

NEWS RELEASES

Law Firm Partner Appointed To Georgia Resource Center's Board of Directors, *Cobb Business Journal*, September 25, 2019

Taylor English and Taylor English Decisions Welcome Four Lawyers, March 6, 2019