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Chris Gantt-Sorenson is a highly effective trial lawyer who concentrates in employment defense litigation. Chris chairs Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd's Employment Law practice group and is a frequent contributor to the group's SCEmployersBlog.

She defends employers in employment related claims and litigation, particularly Title VII litigation, in venues from the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission to the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals. She also provides advice and counsel to human resource professionals and employers on issues that arise daily, particularly in the areas of FMLA, ADA, ACA, FLSA and general employment law matters. Chris defends employee benefit plan administrators and fiduciaries in Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) cases brought pursuant to life and disability policies. She presents regularly on employment law issues and provides management and employee training.

She has tried more than 50 cases to verdict in state and federal courts throughout South Carolina and has represented employers in federal employment litigations as first chair in over 200 filed cases in the last 10 years.

Chris began her legal career defending product liability defendants, representing Ford Motor Company and other manufacturers in products liability and product defect cases in courts across the state. She has also overseen a team of associates in defending a national retailer in personal injury litigation in South Carolina.

Notably, Chris had a 100% conviction rate in prosecuting drug king-pin cases for the State Grand Jury Division of the Attorney General's Office from 1993 to 1997. Chris was an attorney with a large regional law firm from 1991-1993.

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