

BIOGRAPHY OF JAMES A. KITCES, ESQ. - PARTNER AT ROBINS KAPLAN LLP
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James Kitces is a Partner with Robins Kaplan LLP where he represents insurers in connection with catastrophic events, with a focus in the southeast. James spent 17 years in Atlanta before moving to Boston. James helps clients manage and control risks associated with complex first-party property and third-party insurance claims and litigation. He has handled complex, multi-million dollar matters across the country including building collapses, tornadoes, hurricanes, floods, fire, design defect, explosions, and other events. He also helps his clients efficiently resolve measurement disputes in appraisal and reference. James also represents insurers in industrial subrogation matters and in inspection, breach of contract, and product liability cases.

James is a member of the State Bar of Georgia, the Massachusetts Bar Association, and the Atlanta Bar Association. He is a director of the Massachusetts Insurance & Reinsurance Bar Association and a member of the American Bar Association, Property Insurance Law Committee and Insurance Coverage Litigation Committee. James is a frequent author and speaker on insurance matters and has been selected as a Georgia and Massachusetts Super Lawyer.

Before joining Robins Kaplan LLP, James focused on insurance-reinsurance dispute resolution at a national law firm. He appeared before the Georgia Office of the Insurance Commissioner on numerous occasions. Upon graduation from law school, James had the privilege of representing the State of Georgia as an Assistant Attorney General in courts throughout the state. He handled a varied caseload, representing the state and its employees in environmental torts, medical malpractice, catastrophic injury, transportation engineering, and other types of cases. James gained particular insight into the workings of government and represented agencies such as the Departments of Public Safety, Transportation, Corrections, Natural Resources, and the Bureau of Investigation.

James was the chair of his firm's Atlanta pro bono efforts and he has handled cases for the Atlanta Volunteer Lawyers Foundation, Atlanta Legal Aid, and other pro bono organizations. He received the "Volunteer of the Year Award" from the Truancy Intervention Project of Georgia. James has served on numerous community boards, including the Board of Governors for Temple Emanuel.

James is a native of Richmond, Virginia. He received his B.A. degree from Emory University in Atlanta and his juris doctor from the University of Texas School Of Law. While in law school, James interned for the Supreme Court of Virginia.