

John L. Smith

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EDUCATION

Indiana State University, B.S. in Finance, 1995

University of Louisville Brandeis School of Law, J.D., 2004

John L. Smith is a distinguished legal professional whose career journey has been marked by academic excellence and extensive practical experience. Graduating Magna Cum Laude from Indiana State University, he embarked on a career in the insurance industry, initially serving as a claims adjuster and later advancing to the role of claims manager at a major insurance company. During this time, he pursued his legal aspirations and successfully obtained his Juris Doctor from the University of Louisville Brandeis School of Law.

Prior to merging with Morgan & Morgan, John was a partner in Smith Law LLC, alongside his brother Brandon W. Smith. John honed his skills in handling a wide array of personal injury cases. Their practice encompassed litigation in state and federal courts across Indiana and the Commonwealth of Kentucky, establishing a reputation for exceptional advocacy and dedication to their clients' rights. Additionally, John is the founder and coach of the Lanesville Wrestling Club, showcasing his commitment to community involvement and mentorship.

John's professional journey reflects his unwavering commitment to legal excellence and his relentless pursuit of justice for those he represents. Beyond his legal endeavors and community involvement, John L. Smith cherishes his role as a family man. He is married to Jessica and is a proud father to two children, Emma and Jay. His dedication to both his professional and personal life underscores his balanced approach to serving his clients and supporting his loved ones.

BAR ADMISSION

- Kentucky
- Indiana
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky
- United States District Court for the Western District of Kentucky
- United States District Court for the Northern District of Indiana
- United States District Court for the Southern District of Indiana

MEMBERSHIPS



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- Indiana Bar Association
- Kentucky Bar Association
- Indiana Trial Lawyers Association
- Kentucky Justice Association
- Floyd County Bar Association (Vice President)

PRACTICE AREAS

- Car Accident Lawyers & Auto Accident Attorneys
- Motorcycle Accident Attorneys
- Dog Bite Lawyer
- Wrongful Death Attorneys
- Insurance Claim Attorney
- Personal Injury Lawyer

RESULTS

- Diana Wilde v. Hailey Allender, Car Accident (2022), $300,000
- Smith, Michael v. Lamb's Lawn Service and Landscaping, LLC, General Liability (2022), $225,000
- Frost, Angela v. Panera, LLC, Slip and Fall (2025), $987,000
- Teresa Davis, General Liability (2025), $540,000
- Miller v. State Farm, Car Accident (2026), $825,000
- Mikaila Simmons v. Midway Stop Inc, General Liability (2026), $350,000

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

- Million Dollar Advocate