

Raymond L. Niblock

Trial Lawyer • Mediator • Author

Professional Profile

Raymond L. Niblock is a veteran trial lawyer with more than three decades of experience representing individuals and businesses in complex civil and criminal matters in state and federal courts. His practice is grounded in disciplined preparation, candid counsel, and strategic advocacy. Widely trusted by clients, colleagues, and courts, he is known for measured judgment, courtroom credibility, and the ability to manage high-exposure litigation effectively.

Bar & Court Admissions

- Arkansas (1994–present); New Mexico (1994–present)
- Cherokee Nation Bar
- U.S. District Courts — Eastern & Western Districts of Arkansas
- U.S. Courts of Appeals — Eighth and Tenth Circuits
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- U.S. Court of Military Appeals

Trial & Litigation Experience

- Extensive state and federal bench and jury trial experience in high-exposure civil and criminal matters
- Catastrophic personal injury and product liability litigation
- Consumer fraud and unfair trade practices
- Complex commercial disputes
- Federal multidistrict litigation and class actions
- Criminal defense, including capital cases
- Probate and fiduciary litigation

Select Litigation Experience

- Member, trial team — In re Baycol Products Litigation, MDL No. 1431 (D. Minn.)
- Discovery team member — In re Rezulin Products Liability Litigation, MDL No. 1348 (S.D.N.Y.)
- Lead mitigation trial counsel — State of Arkansas v. Ricky Ray Anderson, Washington County Circuit Court (capital prosecution)
- Represented clients in product liability litigation involving major automobile manufacturers, including Ford and Chrysler
- Participated in multiple complex civil matters resulting in confidential seven-figure settlements

Certifications

- Certified by the Arkansas Public Defender Commission to serve as co-counsel in death penalty cases and to defend all lesser-included offenses (2010–present)
- Certified Civil and Probate Mediator by the Arkansas Dispute Resolution Commission (2025-present)

Professional Leadership & Affiliations

- Fellow, Arkansas Bar Foundation (1994-present)
- Tenured Delegate, Arkansas Bar Association House of Delegates (2007–present)
- Former Executive Council Member, Young Lawyers Division

- Former Vice-Chair, Appellate Law Section
- Master, William B. Putnam American Inns of Court
- Former Member, American Association for Justice (AAJ)
- Former Member, New Mexico Trial Lawyers Association
- Governor, Arkansas Trial Lawyers Association (2001); State Delegate (2002–2006)
- Member, Washington County Bar Association
- Member, State Bar of New Mexico (1994-present)

Honors

- Outstanding Young Lawyer, Arkansas Trial Lawyers Association
- Arkansas Bar Association Citation for Dedicated and Outstanding Service

Publications

- *Federal Courts, Tribal Courts and Comity: Developing Tribal Judiciaries and Forum Selection*, 19 U. Ark. Little Rock L.J. 219 (1997)
- Author, *The Last Independence Day: Secession* (Bishop's Trust, 2023)

Education

- Juris Doctor — University of Arkansas
- University of New Mexico — Philosophy & Political Theory
- New Mexico Military Institute — Associate of Arts

Military Service

- Commissioned Officer, United States Army Reserve (1986–2000), Honorable Discharge
- United States Army Infantry School, Airborne Course — Fort Benning, Georgia