

INTRODUCTION TO 2026 EDITION

This 2026 Edition of *Herman & McLaughlin Admissibility of Evidence in Civil Cases – A Manual for Georgia Trial Lawyers* is an up-to-date reference to help frame arguments to get particular items of evidence admitted, or to keep them out. This handy manual makes relevant Georgia caselaw and Evidence Code provisions quickly accessible. In the 2026 Edition, new material was added and/or existing material updated on the following subjects, among others:

- Spoliation
- Noneconomic damages
- Attorney fees
- E-filing
- Quantum meruit
- Settlement agreements
- E-mail
- Legitimation
- DNA tests
- Medical experts
- Special damages
- Seatbelt non-use
- Collateral sources
- Negligent security

This 2026 Edition replaces the 2025 Edition, which now may be recycled or discarded.