

## **INTRODUCTION TO 2025–2026 EDITION**

This 2025–2026 Edition of *Mississippi Workers' Compensation* is a complete guide to handling workers' compensation cases in Mississippi. This handy manual makes the Mississippi statutes and relevant caselaw regarding workers' compensation issues quickly accessible. Since last year's edition, new material has been added and/or existing material updated on the following subjects, among others:

- Intoxication as cause of injury; drug use
- Need for reasonable efforts to obtain other employment
- Filing of pleadings and other documents with the Mississippi Workers' Compensation Commission
- Deference to commission orders
- Right of employer that paid compensation benefits to reimbursement
- General contractor as statutory employer