## ALABAMA

## **OPTICAL ILLUSION TRIP AND FALL** MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT GRANTED



he Gavel Law Firm Member for the entire State of Alabama, Austill, Lewis, Pipkin & Maddox, P.C., defended a nationally known Super Market against an optical-illusion trip and fall claim.

Austill Lewis prevailed on its motion for Summary Judgment in a trip and fall premises case. The Plaintiff, an elderly female, tripped and fell in the parking lot of a nationally known super market chain. She was injured, and she claimed it was due to the optical illusion created by the painted curb sloping to the handicap level ramp in the parking lot of the Super Market. She claimed the optical illusion caused her to fall. The Court found that the Plaintiff did not dispute the material facts, and the Court ruled that the defendant, represented by Austill Lewis, was entitled to Summary Judgment as a matter of law.

The Court specifically concluded that under the circumstances presented, the Defendant did not have a duty to warn the Plaintiff, and Summary Judgment was entered in favor of the Defendant on all claims.



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