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DEPUTY COUNTY ATTORNEY

Litigation • Legal Advice • Local Government

Responsible for prosecuting and defending claims brought by and against the Escambia County Board of County Commissioners in the trial and appellate courts, both federal and state, in major civil litigation. Provide advice and representation in administrative matters. Consult with County Commissioners and Staff on tort and contractual liability, civil rights, fair employment practice and personnel management, HIPAA liability, public records and open meetings and the ethical delivery of governmental services.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Escambia County Attorney's Office

1/2002 to Present

Civil Trial Practice

12/1991 to 1/2002

Represented corporations, state and local governments, and individuals in employment discrimination and civil rights cases in state and federal courts. Defended personal injury and tort claims, on behalf of policy holders, corporations, self-insured retail stores such as Wal-Mart and Kmart, state and local governments and homeowner associations. Defended corporate and government employers from workers' compensation and FLSA overtime claims. Prosecuted tort, personal injury and employment discrimination and FLSA overtime claims on behalf of individuals.

Criminal Trial Practice

6/1987 to 12/1997

Represented indigents and fee-paying individuals in the defense of criminal charges, including felonies and misdemeanors, in both state and federal court at trial and on appeal.

General Civil Practice

11/1977 to 6/1987

Assisted individuals in dissolution of marriages, drafting contracts, real estate transactions, and prosecuted and defended general civil litigation including securities fraud, personal injury, civil rights, and breach of contract. For the first year of practice, represented exclusively workers compensation carriers and self-insureds defending claims.

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS

- Board certified as a specialist in Civil Trial Law by The Florida Bar from June 1, 1997, to May 31, 2022
- Board certified as a specialist in Criminal Trial Law by The Florida Bar from August 1, 1991, to July 31, 2001
- Nominated by First Judicial Circuit Nominating Commission for Circuit Judge or County Court Judge on twelve occasions since 2001

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Rotary Club of Pensacola Suburban West
1994 to date

YMCA of Northwest Florida
1997 to date

Friends of the Pensacola Public Library
1996 to date

Northwest Florida Legal Services, Inc.
1996-2012

Leadership Pensacola
2004-2005

BAR ACTIVITIES

The Florida Bar
Trial Lawyer Section
Environmental and Land Use Law Section
Escambia-Santa Rosa Bar Association
Florida Association of County Attorneys
Defense Research Institute
Florida Defense Lawyers Association

EDUCATION

J.D., 1977, Cumberland School of Law of
Samford University, Birmingham, AL

A.B., 1974, University of Miami,
Coral Gables, FL