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## About Boyd & Jenerette, P.A.

Boyd & Jenerette, P.A. is a civil litigation law firm with offices in Florida and Georgia. The Firm's practice areas include civil matters involving insurance defense, construction defect claims, workers' compensation, Longshore and Defense Base Act claims, Admiralty and Jones Act claims, transportation and trucking, commercial law, business litigation, professional liability, coverage and bad faith and mass torts. The Firm is also experienced in handling civil appeals in state and federal courts, and offers alternative dispute resolution techniques such as arbitration or mediation.

The Firm maintains a commitment to excellence in advocacy when pursuing client's goals through pre-suit resolution, mediation, arbitration or trial. Our team of experienced attorneys works to help insurance carriers, their insureds, self-insured entities and others manage risk and reduce exposure through training, counsel and an aggressive, cost effective defense litigation strategy.

Boyd & Jenerette, P.A. strives to build long-term client relationships through outstanding service, which is reflected in part through attorney credentials and peer recognition. Six of the Firm's attorneys are Board Certified by The Florida Bar, including one in the area of Civil Trial, one in Appellate Law, two in Construction Law, and three in Workers' Compensation.

The Firm is AV® Preeminent Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell, and 11 of the Firm's attorneys are also AV® Peer Review Rated at an individual level.

Boyd & Jenerette, P.A. is recognized in the 2018 "Best Law Firms" list by *U.S. News & World Report* and Best Lawyers® in the following two areas: Tier 2, Jacksonville, Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants, and Insurance Law. The Firm is honored to have been recognized in Best Lawyers "Best Law Firms" rankings for eight consecutive years (2011 – 2018).

Boyd & Jenerette, P.A. was founded by Charles T. Boyd, Jr. and Noah H. Jenerette, Jr. in 1952. It maintains offices in Jacksonville, Coconut Creek and Orlando, Florida, and Savannah, Georgia. Details online at <http://www.boydjen.com>.



## **About the Insurance Coverage & Bad Faith Group**

The Coverage & Bad Faith Group at Boyd & Jenerette, P.A. assists insurers with difficult coverage and bad faith issues, including pre-suit, litigated or appellate matters. Experienced coverage attorneys advise insurers on the good faith handling of cases involving:

- Civil remedy notices
- Declaratory judgment actions
- Demands for extra-contractual damages
- Demands with conditions
- Single-party or multiple claimants
- Time demands

Our experience includes the following policy types:

- Auto liability
- Comprehensive general liability (CGL)
- Construction
- Directors & Officers (D&O)
- Employment practices (EPLI)
- Homeowners
- Life, health, and accident policies
- Mass tort / Pollution
- Premises liability
- Professional liability / E&O
- Trucking and transportation
- Workers' compensation

The Coverage & Bad Faith Group strives to help carriers make reasoned and fair decisions concerning policyholders. We also advise clients on current statutory and case law regarding insurance policy language.

Seminars approved for adjuster CE credit by the Florida Department of Financial Services are available on a variety of coverage and bad faith topics.

### **Coverage Opinions on a Flat Rate Basis**

The Coverage & Bad Faith Group maintains a knowledge base organized in a large electronic library encompassing hundreds of coverage opinions, supported by associated legal research.

Because of the number of attorneys within the Coverage & Bad Faith Group, as well as their experience and resource levels, the firm is pleased to offer certain categories of common coverage opinions on a flat rate basis. There are no other costs or expenses in addition to the fee, unless mutually agreed upon in writing.

Advance determination of legal fees can help insurers to better predict expenses for cases involving disputed coverage issues. Also, the insight gained over hundreds of cases supports the coverage attorneys in their goal to predict with better accuracy how courts are likely to rule on coverage questions.

Cases that involve recurring coverage issues such as the following are available on a flat rate basis:

- Residency
- Vehicle ownership
- Uninsured motorists “other insurance” clauses
- Independent contractor issues
- Intentional act exclusions
- Pollution exclusions

Flat fee coverage cases include a post-opinion conference call with the client and a reservation of rights or denial letter.

Even when emergency coverage disputes arise, experienced Boyd & Jenerette, P.A. coverage attorneys are available to respond quickly with recommendations or opinion letters supported by thorough legal analysis.

Contact Jane Anderson or one of the other coverage attorneys to discuss a potential matter.

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## MEET OUR INSURANCE COVERAGE & BAD FAITH ATTORNEYS

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Jane Anderson practices insurance defense litigation focusing primarily on complex federal and state coverage issues and insurer bad faith cases, including appeals.

Her experience includes formulating coverage opinions and litigating first and third party coverage and liability issues for auto, property, umbrella, commercial general liability, homeowners, disability, employment practices liability, and professional malpractice policies.

Ms. Anderson assists insurers with agent E&O issues and claims, as well as indemnity issues between insurers and their agents or brokers. Additionally, she assists insurers with pre-suit claims-handling issues, including responding to time demands or civil remedy notices of insurer violation, Cunningham agreements, Coblenz agreements, dealing with liens and subrogation claims and underwriting matters.

She routinely counsels insurers on claims handling practices. Ms. Anderson is an approved instructor through the Florida Department of Financial Services, and is available to provide in-house training for insurers on topics including claim management, bad faith, coverage issues, declaratory judgment actions, and general liability issues.

Before joining Boyd & Jenerette, P.A., Ms. Anderson worked with another Florida law firm and eventually opened their Jacksonville, Florida office as the Managing Partner. Prior to going into private practice, she worked as a Law Clerk to the Honorable Thomas H. Barkdull and the Honorable Gerald B. Cope, Jr. at the Third District Court of Appeals in Miami, Florida.

Ms. Anderson is active in supporting the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) and various organizations that rescue abused and abandoned animals. She and her family have three Cocker Spaniels and two cats, all of whom are rescues.

### **Representative Cases\***

Boyd & Jenerette's insurance coverage team obtained summary judgment in late 2016 on behalf of a major insurance carrier in an action for declaratory relief. The action was brought by attorneys Jane Anderson and Randy Dow in a Florida federal district court. The central issue in the coverage action was whether a named insured on an umbrella policy could qualify for "family member" coverage in connection with a fatal automobile accident.

The Boyd & Jenerette bad faith trial team successfully defended a major insurance company in a Northern Florida county circuit court against allegations of bad faith in handling a property claim involving damage to an expensive automobile. Attorneys Jane Anderson and Randy Dow tried the case to a jury over seven days in late 2016.

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### **Admissions**

Florida, 1995

U.S. District Court, Northern, Middle and Southern Districts of Florida, 1997

U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit, 1999

### **Memberships**

The Florida Bar

Jacksonville Claims Association

Florida Defense Lawyers Association

Defense Research Institute

### **Seminars**

Ms. Anderson speaks often on a range of coverage and bad faith topics, including those listed below. Please contact her directly to schedule a CLE seminar.

- Overview of Third Party Bad Faith in Florida
- Insurance Claims College organizer, sponsored by Boyd & Jenerette, May 19, 2016, St. Petersburg, FL
- Responding to Time Demands in Florida; A Practical Guide for the Claim Handler
- Common Coverage Issues in Auto and Commercial General Liability Policies
- Statutory Bad Faith and Responding to Civil Remedy Notices of Insurer Violations
- Ethical Claims Handling
- Uninsured Motorists Coverage in Florida
- 10 Most Common (and Avoidable) Claim Handling Mistakes
- Declaratory Judgment Actions
- Conducting Coverage Investigations in Florida

### **Education**

J.D., *summa cum laude*, Shepard Broad College of Law, Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL, 1994

B.S., *summa cum laude*, Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL, 1990

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Kristen Van der Linde devotes her practice exclusively to the defense of cases and appeals involving trucking liability, automobile liability, premises liability, wrongful death, asbestos, bad faith, negligent security, and coverage issues. She is admitted to practice law in Georgia as well as Florida.

Ms. Van der Linde is Board Certified in Civil Trial Law by The Florida Bar, which means that she is an expert in civil litigation before state and federal courts, administrative agencies and arbitrators.

She frequently lectures on a wide range of topics including adjuster ethics, handling wrongful death claims, and bad faith litigation for continuing educational credit to insurance professionals.

**Admissions**

Florida, 1992

Georgia, 1992

U.S. District Court

- Middle District of Florida, 1992
- Northern District of Georgia, 2005
- Northern and Southern Districts of Florida, 2012

U.S. Court of Appeals, 11th Circuit, 2015

**Awards and Recognition**

- Board Certified in Civil Trial by The Florida Bar
- AV® Preeminent Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell
- Recognized by *Best Lawyers*® as Jacksonville Insurance Law Lawyer of the Year, 2015
- Recognized by *Best Lawyers*® as Jacksonville Personal Injury Litigation–Defendant’s Lawyer of the Year, 2012, 2017
- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*®, 2008-2018
- Recognized by Florida Super Lawyer, 2010-2017
- Listed in U.S. News Best Lawyers®, 2010-2018
- Recognized as Jacksonville’s Best Lawyers by *Jacksonville Magazine*
  - Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants, 2011-2015, 2017-2018
  - Insurance Defense, 2010-2018
- Recognized as Jacksonville’s Best Lawyer by *Folio Weekly*, 2008-2012
- Listed in Florida’s “Legal Elite” by *Florida Trend Magazine*, 2006-2015

**Memberships**



American Board of Trial Advocates, 2008 to present  
Claims & Litigation Management Alliance  
Defense Research Institute  
The Florida Bar

- Rules of Civil Procedure Committee, 2006-2009

Fourth Judicial Circuit Grievance Committee, past member  
Florida Defense Lawyers Association  
Jacksonville Association of Defense Counsel, President, 2001  
The Georgia Bar  
The Jacksonville Bar Association  
Chester Bedell Inn of Court, (1998 – 2000) – Master (2009)  
Best Lawyers in America, 2008 to present

### **Education**

J.D., Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA, 1992

- Moot Court Team
- American Jurisprudence Award, Moot Court

B.A., Fairfield University, Fairfield, CT, 1989



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Campbell Bowman has extensive litigation experience in a wide range of insurance defense coverage areas. He worked as in-house litigation counsel for several insurance companies for many years, during which time he gained significant trial experience. He also has prior experience in private practice in the areas of civil litigation and insurance defense.

Earlier in his career Mr. Bowman clerked for the late Judge Charles B. Mikell, Jr., at the Chatham County State Court.

#### **Admissions**

Georgia Trial Courts, 1987  
Georgia Court of Appeals, 1991  
Supreme Court of Georgia, 1992  
United States District Court for the Southern District of Georgia, 2014  
United States District Court for the Middle District of Georgia, 1991

#### **Memberships**

Savannah Bar Association  
State Bar of Georgia  
Georgia Defense Lawyers, Past Member

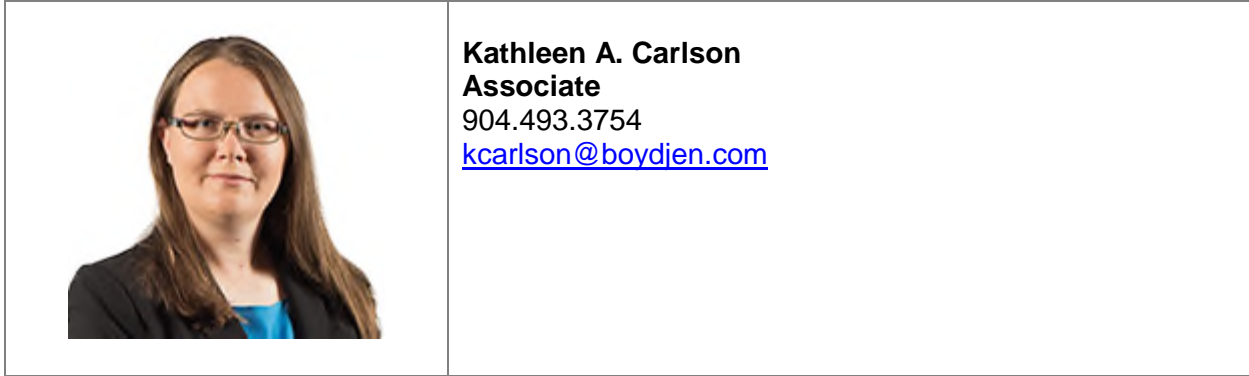
#### **Education**

J.D., University of Georgia School of Law, Athens, GA, 1987

- Employed with Clarke County District Attorney's Office under The Law School Public Prosecutors Act of 1970

B.A., Economics, Hampden-Sydney College, Hampden Sydney, VA, 1984

- Omicron Delta Epsilon – International Economics Honor Society
- Phi Alpha Theta – National History Honor Society



Kathleen Carlson an Associate of Boyd & Jenerette, P.A. practicing in the Jacksonville office. Her practice focuses on insurance coverage and bad faith/extra-contractual liability litigation. Prior to joining the firm, Ms. Carlson clerked for the Honorable James A. Edwards at the Florida Fifth District Court of Appeal.

While in law school, Ms. Carlson served as the Executive Notes and Comments Editor for the *Florida Law Review*.

She also interned in the Northern District of Florida for the Honorable M. Casey Rodgers.

**Admissions**

Florida, 2014

**Memberships**

The Florida Bar

**Seminars and Publications**

- “Preservation of Error for Jury Instructions and Verdict Forms,” American Board of Trial Advocates, Central Florida Chapter, May 19, 2015
- Social Media and the Workplace: How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love Privacy Setting and the NLRB, *66 Fla. L. Rev.* 479, 2014
- Ryan v. Gonzalez and the Potential Elimination of the Post-Conviction Failsafe, *65 Fla. L. Rev.* 1435, 2013

**Education**

J.D., *cum laude*, Fredric G. Levin College of Law, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL, 2014

- *Florida Law Review*, Executive Notes and Comments Editor
- Book Awards: Criminal Defense Clinic, Law Review
- Criminal Justice Certificate
- Outstanding Pro Bono Achievement Award

B.A., *cum laude*, University of Florida, Gainesville, VA, 2007

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Mr. Childers is Board Certified in Construction Law by the Florida Bar and is AV® Preeminent Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell. He is an expert in handling construction-related claims involving defects, breach of contract or warranty, professional negligence, delay, liens / bonds, product defects and insurance coverage. He has trial experience involving large, complex construction cases.

He represents owners, contractors, design professionals, subcontractors in various trades, material suppliers, and manufacturers in construction disputes, and also assists clients in transactional work including drafting and negotiating construction contracts.

#### **Admissions**

Florida, 2005

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Florida, 2006

U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida, 2005

#### **Awards and Recognition**

Board Certified in Construction Law by The Florida Bar

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#### **Memberships**

The Florida Bar, Construction Law Committee, Jury Instructions Subcommittee (2014)

Jacksonville Bar Association, Construction Law Section, Vice President

Florida Defense Lawyers Association

Jacksonville Association of Defense Counsel

Associated Builders and Contractors, First Coast Chapter, ABC Education Committee

#### **Seminars & Classes**

- How the World Has Changed, or Has it? A Review of *Carithers v. Mid-Continent Co.*, 2015, 2016.
- Construction Law, Florida Coastal School of Law, Spring 2014 and 2016
  - What is Construction Law?
  - Construction Licenses and Certifications
  - Construction Bids
  - Construction Contracts and Terms
  - Nonperformance, Damages, and Defenses
  - Building Permits and Codes
  - Property Damage and Personal Injury
  - Remedies


- Extras, Modifications, and Delays
- Construction Liens
- Construction Bonds (Payment and Performance)
- Construction Litigation
- Workers Compensation and Liability Insurance
- Introduction to Construction Defect & Delay Claims, 2015
- Builders Risks, 2013
- Construction Defects: Chapter 558 Notice and Opportunity to Repair Damages in Construction Defect Lawsuit, June 2012

### **Education**

J.D., *magna cum laude*, Western Michigan University Thomas M. Cooley Law School, Lansing, MI, 2005

- Emphasis on Business Transactions

B.A., *magna cum laude*, Political Science and History, Florida State University, 2002

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Andrew P. “Drew” Collins, II is a Partner of the Firm. Mr. Collins is a 2000 graduate of Clemson University in Clemson, South Carolina. He obtained his Juris Doctorate in 2004 from Florida Coastal School of Law, where he was a member of the Mock Trial Team and Vice President of the Moot Court Honor Board. He is licensed to practice law in both Florida and South Carolina.

Prior to joining the firm, Mr. Collins was an Assistant State Attorney for the Seventh Judicial Circuit and was a partner at a local firm handling personal injury cases.

Mr. Collins holds an AV® Preeminent Peer Review rating (the highest rating possible) from Martindale-Hubbell, the world’s oldest attorney rating system in recognition of his highly regarded legal skills and professional ethics.

**Admissions**

Florida, 2005  
South Carolina, 2006  
U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida

**Memberships**

The Florida Bar  
The South Carolina Bar  
Jacksonville Bar Association

**Awards & Recognition**

AV® Preeminent Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell, 2017

**Education**

J.D., Florida Coastal School of Law, 2004

- Mock Trial Team Member
- Moot Court Honor Board, Vice President

B.S., Clemson University, 2000



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Randy Dow is a Partner in the Firm’s South Florida office, located in Boca Raton. His practice includes construction law, with an emphasis on delay and defect claims arising out of residential, commercial and industrial projects. In addition, a significant portion of Mr. Dow’s practice is dedicated to the defense of product liability and general liability claims relating to construction equipment, power tools and construction vehicles.

Mr. Dow serves as statewide litigation counsel for various national and international corporations in the construction, equipment rental and property management industries. He has litigated numerous commercial and coverage claims since joining The Florida Bar in 1997.

He also has significant experience in automobile liability, including claims related to tractor-trailers and other commercial vehicles.

Mr. Dow was born in Bangor, Maine, and lived throughout the country during his father’s 25-year career in the U.S. Navy. He moved to South Florida after graduating from law school in 1997.

**Representative Cases\***

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## **Admissions**

Florida, 1997

U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida, 1998

U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida, 1998

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Florida, 1998

U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit, 1999

U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of Florida, 2000

## **Awards and Recognition**

AV<sup>®</sup> Preeminent Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell

Listed in *South Florida Legal Guide*, Top Civil Litigators, 2011-2017

Listed in *Florida Trend*, Legal Elite, 2013

Listed in Florida Super Lawyers under Personal Injury – Products: Defense, 2017

Listed in Florida Super Lawyers “Rising Stars,” 2009-2011

## **Memberships**

Florida Bar Association

- Real Property, Probate and Trust Law Section
- Construction Law Committee – Chair, CLE Subcommittee
- Insurance and Surety Committee
- Construction Association of South Florida

## **Seminars**

- Changes to Florida Statute 558, Evolutions of Proposal for Settlement and Single Family Home Litigation, CEU Seminar, June 2017
- BIM & Presenting Delay Claims, The Florida Bar Construction Law Institute, March 2017
- Circling the Wagons - When Schedule Risk Becomes Litigation Risk, Construction CPM Conference, January 2017
- Arbitration Clauses in Construction Contracts, CLE to The Florida Bar Construction Law Committee, August 2016
- Tricky Legal Issues, Boyd & Jenerette Claims College, May, 2016
- Florida Insurance and Construction Litigation, Boyd & Jenerette Claims College, May, 2016
- Roadway Construction Claims - The Complex and Potentially Costly Intersection of Construction and Auto Liability, CEU Presentation, 2016
- Construction Delay and Impact Claims: Proper Use of Graphic Presentations Incorporating Building Information Models and 4D Scheduling, Construction CPM Conference, 2016
- Claims Handling Strategies for Confined Space and Trench Related Incidents, 2008

## **Education**

J.D., *cum laude*, Boston College Law School, 1997

- Finalist, Boston College Moot Court Competition
- Member, National Moot Court Team
- Winner, Outstanding Second Year Oral Advocate

B.A., *magna cum laude*, Stonehill College, 1994

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Kansas R. Gooden is Board Certified in Appellate Practice by The Florida Bar, and serves as the firm’s Appellate Practice Group Leader. She has extensive experience handling all types of civil appellate proceedings, including extraordinary writs and plenary appeals, in state and federal courts.

Ms. Gooden is highly involved in the state and local bar associations and has served in many leadership roles. Most recently she served as the President of the Jacksonville Association of Defense Counsel. She also is active in the First District Appellate Inn of Court which she became a member of in 2011. Moreover, Ms. Gooden is a frequent lecturer and travels the state presenting seminars and presentations on various topics to both attorneys and adjusters.

While in law school, Ms. Gooden interned for the Third District Court of Appeal Chief Judge David Gersten. It was there that she developed her passion for appellate practice. Additionally, Ms. Gooden played nationally competitive junior, amateur and collegiate golf. She was the Virginia State Girls Golf Champion in 1997 and 1999 and was awarded the Marion Miley Bracelet by the Western Women’s Golf Association in 1997

**Admissions**

Florida, 2008 – Board Certified Appellate Practice, 2015 to present  
United States District Court

- Northern District of Florida, 2009
- Middle District of Florida, 2009
- Southern District of Florida, 2009

U.S. Court of Appeals, 11th Circuit, 2012

**Awards and Recognition**

- Board Certified in Appellate Practice by The Florida Bar, 2015 to present
- Listed in *Attorney at Law* Magazine, Jacksonville, as a Rising Star, 2016
- Listed in *Attorney at Law* Magazine, Jacksonville, in Top Ten Under 40, 2016
- Listed in Florida Super Lawyers as a “Rising Star” in Appellate Practice, 2011-2017
- Recipient of Amicus Award from the Florida Defense Lawyers Association, 2015. This award is bestowed upon an appellate attorney with significant contributions to the defense bar through Amicus, or “Friend of the Court,” briefs.

## Memberships

- The Florida Bar – Appellate Section
  - Appellate Practice Board Certification Committee, 2017-2020
  - Executive Council, 2015-2018
  - CLE Committee Member, 2013-present
    - Co-Chair of the Monthly Telephonic CLEs, 2015-2017
    - Chair, Essential of Appellate Law CLE, 2017
    - Chair, Hot Topics in Appellate Law CLE, 2013
  - Publications Committee Member, 2014-present
    - Assistant Editor of The Florida Bar Journal, 2014-2016
  - Outreach Committee Member, 2014-2016
    - Liaison to The Jacksonville Bar Association, 2014-2016
- First District Appellate Inn of Court – Barrister, 2011-present
- Third District Court of Appeal Historical Society, 2017-present
- The Jacksonville Bar Association
  - Vice Chair of the Appellate Section, 2012-2013
  - Chair of the Appellate Section, 2013-2014
- Florida Defense Lawyers Association
  - Amicus Committee, 2010-present
  - Board of Directors, 1st District Representative, 2016-present
- Jacksonville Association of Defense Counsel
  - Secretary, 2013
  - Vice President, 2014
  - President, 2015
- Federalist Society, 2015-present
- 4th Judicial Circuit Large Firm Pro Bono Subcommittee, 2011-2012
- Ronald McDonald House's Inaugural Golf Tournament Committee, Member, 2014

## Representative Cases

- Allstate Prop. & Cas. Ins. Co. v. Lewis, 14 So. 3d 1230 (Fla. 1st DCA 2009)
- Hinely v. Fla. Motorcycle Training, Inc., 70 So. 3d 620 (Fla. 1st DCA 2011)
- Smith v. New Hampshire Indem. Co., 60 So. 3d 429 (Fla. 1st DCA 2011)
- Rife v. A.W.A. Contracting Co., Inc., 87 So. 3d 69 (Fla. 1st DCA 2012)
- Town of Davie v. Santana, et. Al., 98 So. 3d 262 (Fla. 1st DCA 2012)
- Diversified Dev. Of Kansas City, Inc./Bridgefield Ins. Co. v. Sanchez, 90 So. 3d 337 (Fla. 1st DCA 2012)
- Miller Elec. Co. v. Oursler, 113 So. 3d 1004 (Fla. 1st DCA 2013)
- Boozier v. Stalley, 146 So. 3d 139 (Fla. 5th DCA 2014).
- Allstate Ins. Co. v. Theodotou, 171 So. 3d 163 (Fla. 5th DCA 2015).
- Hankerson v. Wiley, 154 So. 3d 511 (Fla. 4th DCA 2015).
- Messinese v. USAA Cas. Ins. Co., 14-14876, 2015 WL 4619808 (11th Cir. 2015).

## Publications

- Co-Author, What to do with Discovery Until Florida Adopts Rule, MIAMI DAILY BUSINESS REVIEW, March 13, 2008, at A-13.
- King Solomon's Solution to the Disposition of Embryos: Recognizing a Property Interest and Using Equitable Division, 20 U. OF LA VERNE 66 (Nov. 2008).
- What'cha Gonna Do Brother When Hulkamania Runs Wild On You?: A Practitioner's Guide To Section 322.09 Of The Florida Statutes, 21, ST. THOMAS L. REV. 390 (2009).

## **Education**

J.D., *magna cum laude*, St. Thomas School of Law, Miami Gardens, FL 2008

- Articles Editor, *St. Thomas Law Review*
- Competing Member, St. Thomas Mock Trial Competition Team
- Best Student / Book Awards-Property I, Trial Advocacy Practice, Florida Practice, Wills & Trusts and Criminal Procedure

B.B.A., Finance, James Madison University, Harrisonburg, VA, 2004

- Member, two-time CAA Conference Champion Varsity Girls Golf Team
- Named to the CAA All Conference Golf Team
- Member, National Collegiate Scholars Association



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Bryan Hill is an Associate in the firm's Boca Raton office. His practice includes a broad range of legal issues including construction delay and defect claims, general liability claims relating to construction equipment/vehicles and general insurance defense involving slip and falls and auto personal injury.

After law school, Mr. Hill moved to Washington, D.C. to work for U.S. Customs and Border Protection, where he concentrated on international trade policy. He also worked as the environmental compliance manager for TAMKO Building Products, Inc. in Frederick, Maryland. After returning to his home state of Florida, Mr. Hill worked as a judicial staff attorney for the Fourth Judicial Circuit in Duval County.

Prior to his legal career, Mr. Hill served four years as an infantry officer in the U.S. Army (1st Infantry Division). He left the service with a rank of Captain.

From 2006 to 2007, Mr. Hill was the officer-in-charge of an overseas military training camp. He led a team of U.S. Army soldiers in training a foreign military force of approximately 150 personnel in small unit leadership and counter-terrorism tactics.

Mr. Hill's other assignments included rifle platoon leader, scout platoon leader, and rifle company executive officer.

During his four years in the U.S. Army, Mr. Hill earned several commendations including:

- Joint Service Commendation Medal
- Two Army Commendation Medals
- Two Army Achievement Medals

#### **Admissions**

Florida, 2014

Maryland, 2014 (Inactive)

U.S. District Court, Northern, Middle and Southern Districts of Florida, 2016

#### **Memberships**

The Florida Bar

The Maryland Bar

American Bar Association

Florida Trial Court Staff Attorney Association, Co-Chair,  
Strategic Planning Committee (2015-2016)



**Education**

J.D., *cum laude*, Stetson University College of Law, Gulfport, FL, 2010

- Member, Student Leadership Development Committee
- Member, Honors Program. Graduated in Top 8% of law class

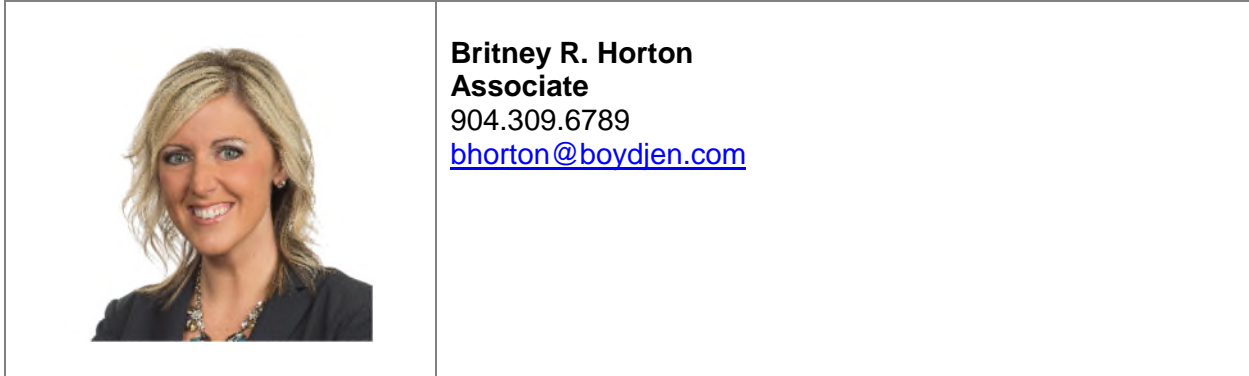
University of Tennessee, Haslam College of Business, Data Acquisition and Strategy Course, 2012

University of Michigan, Ross School of Business, Managing High Powered Teams Course, 2013

Lean Six Sigma Green Belt, 2013

B.A., Auburn University, Auburn, AL, 2003

- Cadet Battalion Commander, Army ROTC
- Captain, Ranger Challenge Team, Army ROTC



Britney Horton focuses her practice on civil appeals, insurance coverage, and bad faith/extra-contractual liability litigation.

Ms. Horton graduated in the top 2% of her class from Florida Coastal School of Law. While in law school, she served as Executive Editor on the *Florida Coastal Law Review*. Ms. Horton also served as Vice President of the Moot Court Honor Board and won two national Moot Court competitions and three national Best Advocate awards.

She interned for Chief Justice Ricky Polston of the Florida Supreme Court in the summer of 2014.

#### **Admissions**

Florida, 2015

U.S. District Court, Northern, Middle and Southern Districts of Florida, 2015

#### **Memberships**

The Florida Bar

The Jacksonville Bar Association

#### **Education**

J.D., *magna cum laude*, Florida Coastal School of Law, Jacksonville, FL, 2015

- Executive Editor, *Florida Coastal Law Review*
- Book Award for Highest Grade in Legal Research and Writing II, Evidence, and Appellate Advocacy
- Advanced Legal Research and Writing Certificate
- Dean's Honors Scholarship Recipient, Dean's Scholar and Dean's List (every semester)
- Moot Court Honor Board
- Rendigs Products Liability Moot Court Competition, 2015 National Champion
- Charleston Moot Court Competition
  - National Champion, 2015, and Best Advocate Award, 2015
- Zehmer Workers' Compensation Moot Court Competition
  - Finalist, 2013 and 2014, and Best Advocate Award, 2013
- Florida Coastal School of Law Internal Competition, 2013 Best Advocate Award
- Pro Bono Honors, and Phi Delta Phi Legal Honors Society member
- First District Appellate Inn of Court, student member

B.S., University of South Florida, Tampa, FL, 2007



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Pamela Nelson concentrates in insurance, coverage and bad faith. Her practice includes all aspects of insurance defense civil litigation, both state and federal, at the trial and appellate levels, with a particular focus on bad faith and tender rejection cases.

#### **Admissions**

Florida, 1992

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Florida, 2011

U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida, 1995

U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit, 1995

#### **Memberships**

The Florida Bar

#### **Education**

J.D., Shepard Broad College of Law, Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL, 1992

- Moot Court, Competitions Coordinator

B.S., University of Central Florida, Orlando, FL, 1986



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**Partner**  
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Kathryn Oughton focuses on civil litigation, with an emphasis on the defense of cases involving automobile liability, premises liability, wrongful death, and trucking liability. She also handles bad faith and coverage matters.

Prior to joining the firm, she served as head of the civil litigation department in the Jacksonville office of a state-wide firm. In this capacity she focused on automobile and trucking negligence, wrongful death, and premises liability.

Ms. Oughton supports her local community by serving as an executive board member of the Interfaith Coalition for Action, Reconciliation and Empowerment. She is also an assistant coach for the Bolles School softball team.

#### **Admissions**

Florida, 2008  
Pennsylvania, 2009  
Georgia, 2015

#### **Memberships**

The Florida Bar  
The Pennsylvania Bar  
The Georgia Bar  
Claims & Litigation Management Alliance (CLM)  
Jacksonville Association of Defense Counsel  
Chester Bedell Inn of Courts, Associate, 2010

#### **Seminars**

Florida Workers' Compensation and General Liability Issues Seminar, 2011, 2012  
Florida Division of Risk Management Seminars

#### **Education**

J.D., Florida Coastal School of Law, Jacksonville, FL, 2008

- Governor's Merit Scholarship Recipient, Dean's List

B.A., *cum laude*, Messiah College, Mechanicsburg, PA, 2003

- Honor Athlete on the Varsity Softball Team



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Christina N. Wachs handles all aspects of personal injury litigation in both state and federal court. She focuses her practice on defending claims involving automobile negligence, premises liability, products liability, wrongful death, and negligent security claims as well as bad faith and coverage issues.

#### **Admissions**

Florida, 1999

Illinois, 2002 (Inactive)

U.S. District Court, Northern, Middle and Southern Districts of Florida

U.S. District Court, Northern, Middle and Southern Districts of Illinois

#### **Memberships**

The Florida Bar

The Jacksonville Bar Association

#### **Education**

J.D., *with honors*, University of Florida Levin College of Law, Gainesville, FL, 1999

- Order of the Coif
- Class Rank: Top 10%
- *Journal of Law & Public Policy*, Articles Editor, Spring 1999; Staff Member, 1997-1998
- Teaching Assistant, Legal Research and Writing, Fall 1998
- Honors, Legal Research and Writing, Fall 1996
- Chester Bedell Inn of Court, Student-Pupil, Jacksonville Chapter, 1997-1998

B.A., *with honors*, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL, 1993

- Double Major in Russian and Political Science
- *Phi Beta Kappa*
- Cumulative GPA 3.73, GPA in Majors: Political Science 4.0, Russian 3.81