

Jeremy Harris is a civil litigator with extensive trial and appellate court experience in complex litigation. Mr. Harris practices construction law and represents general contractors/subcontractors and developers in all manner of construction defect litigation. Mr. Harris also defends clients in all manner of catastrophic injury cases, including wrongful death, paralysis, amputations, and other serious injuries. Mr. Harris also represents doctors, including psychiatrists, throughout the state in various types of litigation, including medical malpractice.

Mr. Harris is often involved in defending claims with tens of millions of dollars at stake. He has taken hundreds (if not thousands) of depositions and has attended hundreds (if not thousands) of hearings. Mr. Harris has tried cases before many trial courts throughout the state of Florida and has engaged in oral arguments in front of the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit and the First, Second, Third, and Fourth Districts of the State of Florida. He obtained favorable results in the vast majority of these trials and appeals.

Mr. Harris's judicial philosophy involves every action being taken only if it is a purposeful step towards a favorable end result for his clients, whether that involves litigating a matter to conclusion or providing the best possible platform for settlement. He believes attention to the plaintiff's claim is paramount, but opportunities for risk transfer must always be fully explored.

Before joining the firm, Mr. Harris was a shareholder and managing attorney of a national firm's Florida office, leading a large team of attorneys on complex litigation. Prior to going to law school, Mr. Harris was part of his collegiate and high school debate teams-qualifying in college for the prestigious National Debate Tournament.

REPRESENTATIVE ORDERS AND APPELLATE OPINIONS
Clausen Trust v. Crowther Roofing (2020 and 2021 orders) involved a trial court granting various motions for summary judgment on a fire claim involving a luxury beachfront house. These summary judgments eliminated over \$8,000,000 of the plaintiff's claimed damages.

Stafford v. St. Joe (2017 order) involved a trial court granting a motion for partial summary judgment on a paralysis claim that lead to settlement on the claim.

HSBC Bank USA, N.A. v. Perez decided a lien priority dispute in favor of Mr. Harris's client. The litigation arose as a result of a fraudulent mortgage scheme in which none of the parties were involved. Two banks litigated lien priority, and the loser was ultimately out its lien. This case created new law based on complicated title issues that benefitted Mr. Harris's client. HSBC Bank USA, N.A. v. Perez, 165 So.3d 696 (Fla. 4th 2015).

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PRACTICE AREAS

- Appellate Advocacy
- Complex Commercial Litigation
- Construction Defect Litigation
- Consumer Finance Litigation
- Real Estate / Title Litigation
- Medical Malpractice

BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

- Florida Bar
- U.S Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit
- U.S District Court for the Northern District of Florida
- U.S District Court for the Middle District of Florida
- U.S District Court for the Southern District of Florida

EDUCATION

- Florida State University College of Law, with Honors
- The Wichita State University, B.A.-Magna Cum Laude

MEMBERSHIP \& HONORS

- Dean's List multiple semesters
- Florida State University Law Review board member

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