

Edward M. Waller, Jr.

Edward M. Waller, Jr. practices in the areas of business litigation, class actions, health care litigation, lender liability, bankruptcy and creditors' rights generally.

Presentations and Publications

Presentations

- "A Contract Drafter's Nightmare: Ambiguities That Lead to Litigation," Co-Speaker, ACC West Central Florida Chapter Meeting, Tampa, FL March 2011
- "The Trial Lawyer's Ethics, Civility, and Professionalism," Speaker, Litigation Institute for Trial Training, Litigation Section of the American Bar Association, Chicago, IL, July 2007, July 2008, July 2009, July 2010
- "Practicing with Professionalism," Speaker, The Florida Bar, August 2006, October 2007, March 2008, February 2009
- "The Legacy of Atticus Finch," Speaker, Gainesville Bar Association, Professionalism Seminar, Gainesville, FL, March 2008

Publications

- "Federal and Florida Courts Heighten the Requirements for Class Certification," Co-Author, *Florida Bar Journal*, April 2010
- "Class Communications, Class Actions and Derivative Suits," Author, The American Bar Association, Litigation Section, Winter 1999
- "Civility Codes," Author, *The Professional Lawyer*, Symposium Issue, 1996
- "Tactical Considerations in Preparing for Litigation," Author, *The Practical Litigator*, Vol. 1, No. 2, March 1990
- "Lender Liability in Florida," Author, *National Business Institute*, August 1989

Professional Affiliations

- American Bar Association: Chair, Standing Committee on Professionalism, 1995-1997; Litigation Section, Budget Officer, 1996-2000; Council Member, 1989-1992; Chair, Commercial and Banking Litigation Committee, 1983-1987; Chair, Ethics and Professionalism Committee; Member, Health Law Litigation Committee; Co-Chair, National Institute: Emerging Theories of Lender Liability; Chair, Ethical Guidelines for Settlement Negotiations Special Project; Business Law Section, Chair, Lender Liability Subcommittee, 1994-1996; Health Law Section, Member
- American Inns of Court: Board of Trustees, 2011
- Bay Area Legal Services: President, 1999; President, 2006; Board Member, 2011
- Clifford Cheatwood Inn of Court: Master, Past President
- The Fellows of the American Bar Foundation
- The Florida Bar: Trial Lawyers Section, Executive Council; Health Law Section; Business Law Section; Bankruptcy/UCC Committee; Business Litigation Committee; Professionalism Committee
- Florida Senior Judge Review Board: Member
- Florida Supreme Court: Member; Commission on Professionalism; Chair, Judicial Subcommittee, 2004-2006
- Tampa Bay Bankruptcy Bar Association: Past President



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Practice Areas

Bankruptcy and Financial Restructuring
Class Action Litigation
Health Care Compliance
Health Care Litigation
Health Insurance / Managed Care
Mediation, Arbitration and ADR

Industries

Health Care
Insurance
Insurance Company Regulation and Litigation
Professional Services

Education

J.D., University of Chicago Law School, 1967
B.A., Columbia University, 1964

Bar Admissions

Florida

Court Admissions

Florida State Courts
Florida Supreme Court
U.S. Supreme Court

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Community Involvement

- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Tampa Bay, Inc.
- Columbia University Alumni Club of Tampa Bay: President, 1990-1991
- Independent Day School: Board of Trustees
- Ivy League Club of Tampa Bay: President, 1992
- Tampa Bay Partnership: Member, Health Care Task Force
- Tampa Museum of Art: Secretary, Board of Trustees, 2006-present
- Trial by Jury at Florida State Fair: Chair, 1988

Distinctions

AV Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell

The Best Lawyers in America, 2005-2012

Certified Mediator, Florida Supreme Court

Chambers USA, 2005-2011; listed as a leading Healthcare Lawyer in Florida

Florida Legal Elite, *Florida Trend Magazine*, 2004-2008 & 2011; ranked in the top 2% of practicing Florida Bar Members

Florida Super Lawyers, 2006-2011

President's Pro Bono Service Award for the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit, The Florida Bar, 2004

Proclamation from Hillsborough County Board of County Commissioners, 2004

Tobias Simon Pro Bono Award, conferred by Florida Supreme Court, 2004

U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit
U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida
U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida