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Lacey is involved in the public bid and proposal sector on some of the state's largest infrastructure, transportation, and development projects.

She works on a range of issues on private and public works projects, including public-private partnerships; grant compliance; requirements and exemptions to Florida's open government or "Sunshine" Laws; how the Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act (CCNA) relates to the procurement of design-build-operate-maintenance contracts; when a project is exempt from the CCNA; limitations on individual design professional liability; FDOT prequalification; and general contractor, architect, and engineering licensing requirements and applicability.

Lacey is also well-versed in litigation regarding commercial and partnership disputes, construction litigation, real estate litigation, employment litigation, intellectual property and trade secret disputes, and general business litigation matters. She has litigated cases involving federal trademarks and trade dress; the Fair Housing Act; the Americans with Disabilities Act; and federal and state race, age, and gender discrimination claims, including winning rulings from the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit.

Experience

The following is a selected sampling of matters and is provided for informational purposes only. Past success does not indicate the likelihood of success in any future matter.

Experience

Infrastructure, Transportation, and Development Projects

- Special counsel team member to the Greater Orlando Aviation Authority (GOAA) on its 2016–2021 Capital Improvement Program involving \$3.2 billion in infrastructure development, including a new international airport terminal, All Aboard Florida high-speed rail and terminal, related improvements and transportation infrastructure, providing development of procurement plans, contract documents, risk and claims

Education

University of Michigan Law School, JD
(2008)

Western Michigan University, Lee
Honors College, BA, Public Law, magna
cum laude (2006)

Admissions

Florida

New York

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh
Circuit

U.S. District Court for the Middle District of
Florida

U.S. District Court for the Northern District
of Florida

U.S. District Court for the Southern District
of Florida

Practice Areas

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management, and preparing GMP agreements

- Counsel to Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA) for its construction-related procurements and contracts, including planning and drafting the construction manager at-risk procurement document and contracts for the Jacksonville Regional Transportation Center project, a multi-modal hub that integrates Skyway Automated People Mover services, Bus Rapid Transit services, Intercity Bus services, JTA's administrative offices and potential future commuter rail service; currently involved in the procurement and contracting for JTA's urban connector autonomous vehicle system project.
- Counsel to Developer in Orange County, Florida for the procurement and contracting of a new infrastructure network comprised of multi-use corridors, dedicated commuter ways, a mobility hub, and support infrastructure for automated vehicles.
- General Construction Counsel team member to GOAA, assisting with its annual expenditure of in excess of \$500 million in design, consulting and construction for local, state, and federally funded projects, including day-to-day handling of the following: public bid statute compliance (state and federal law) and bid protests; developing procurement processes and for selection of contractors and consultants and project delivery methods; preparation and review of change orders; and preparation, review and approval of construction and professional services contracts and addenda
- Assisted as counsel to St. Lucie County, Florida, on a New York Mets stadium project, on a public-private partnering relationship, drafting agreements, and handling procurement of trades
- Peer review consultant for a major U.S. airport related to an approximately \$5 billion public-private partnership project for an automated people mover system, using a DBFOM delivery method
- Counsel on a deep-bay commercial port facility for the procurement and contracting on a public-private partnership basis, valued at approximately \$500 million

Bid protests and related litigation on major public works projects

- Successful on two of the largest federal court bid protest suits in Florida in 2013:
 - Defended Orlando International Airport in a protest over a \$220 million dollar automated people system procurement
 - Defended a \$75 million design-build, public-private works project, which was the lynchpin to a local expressway authority's ten-year capital improvement program
- Represented a Private Service Network Medicaid provider in a \$1 billion bid protest against Florida's agency for Health Care Administration, prevailing at the Department of Administrative Hearings and achieving a successful result for the client
- Defended the winning bidder against a bid protest brought by Motorola involving a \$20 million digital public safety radio system contract in Bay County

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Recognitions

The bar rules of some states require that the standards for an attorney's inclusion in certain public accolades or recognitions be provided. When such accolades or recognitions are listed, a hyperlink is provided that leads to a description of the respective selection methodology.

- [The Best Lawyers in America® Ones to Watch](#)
 - Commercial Litigation (2026)
 - Construction Law (2022–2026)
 - Environmental Law (2026)
 - Government Relations Practice (2024–2026)
 - Public Finance Law (2024–2026)
- [Florida's Legal Elite Up & Comer by Florida Trend Magazine](#)(2018)

Professional Activities

- Board of Directors, Horizons Foundation
- Chair, Florida Bar Grievance Committee for the First Circuit
- Economic Development Counsel of Okaloosa County
- Okaloosa Florida Association of Women Lawyers
- Okaloosa County Bar Association
- Walton County Bar Association
- National Lawyers Guild

Articles & Speeches

Insights

Primer on the Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act's Processes and Pitfalls: Including Advanced Topics on Design-Build, Construction Management, Integrated Project Delivery, and Public-Private Partnerships , *The Florida Bar Journal*- Co-Author (November/December 2025)

[NMRS Attorneys Published in Florida Bar Journal on CCNA Procurements](#), *The Florida Bar Journal*- Author (November/December 2025)

[Fla. Construction Industry Faces Unique COVID-19 Challenges](#), *Law 360*- Co-Author (April 2, 2020)

[Top Things Construction Project Owners and Contractors Should Consider in the Wake of COVID-19](#)- Co-Author (March 24, 2020)

Events/Speaking Engagements

[Getting Served: Legalities and Risks of Airport Contractual Agreements](#)- Speaker (March 12, 2019)

[Financially Responsible Procurement Processes for Airports](#), *National Academy of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine Transportation Research Board and the Airport Cooperative Research Program*- Speaker (August 2017)

Alerts

[FDOT Announces Small Business Growth Program Following DBE Program Updates](#), Additional Nelson Mullins Alerts (November 24, 2025)