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Todd practices as a commercial litigator and serves as a Team Leader for the North and Central Florida Litigation Team. Under his leadership, his team has won the American Lawyer's prestigious Litigation Team of the Year award for Florida. He practices throughout the Southeast with a strong emphasis on commercial litigation, probate and trust litigation, real estate, construction, creditor's rights, and business disputes. His experience in this area includes "Bet the Company" litigation matters. Todd also is a "lawyer's lawyer", being hired to represent some of the country's most prestigious law firms when they find themselves in need of a litigator.

Todd's practice has been devoted to client success in an array of commercial litigation fields, including real property litigation, banking, creditor's rights, contract disputes, construction litigation, probate matters, partition, business valuation, merger litigation, and governmental zoning and land use litigation.

His corporate clients range from multinational financial institutions to contractors, developers, and banking institutions with important regional presence. He provides statewide representation for some of the nation's foremost corporate citizens.

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.

- Obtained an eight-figure verdict as first chair trial attorney against state's largest privately held healthcare company in a Delaware reverse merger involving the squeeze out of minority owners, including extensive issues of business
- Litigated one of the largest trust litigation matters in Florida history involving the estate of one of America's best-known entrepreneurs with hundreds of millions of dollars at issue.
- Successfully obtained judgments in favor of a Florida county in protecting its "Rural Area" in a dispute over its development boundary, in a case garnering national media attention.

Education

Florida State University College of Law,
JD

- Order of the Coif
- Katzentine/Simon Scholar

Florida State University, BA, Political
Science, magna cum laude

Admissions

Florida

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

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

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

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

Clerkships

Law Clerk, The Honorable William Stafford
, U.S. District Court for the Northern District

- Obtained an eight figure settlement in an intellectual property and commercial contract dispute in representing a Florida County over its high tech manufacturing hub.
- Represented one of the nation's most prestigious "AmLaw 5" law firms as part of multi-billion dollar Federal Court litigation.
- Won a defense jury verdict in a high publicity case for one of America's largest universities
- Prevailed at trial in a multi-million dollar contractual dispute regarding the development of intellectual property and software among high-tech companies.
- Successfully represented property owner and related insurers in premises liability- wrongful death claim stemming from allegations of negligent security
- Has litigated dozens of construction defect cases that collectively totaled hundreds of millions of dollars in potential damages. Included in such work are numerous successful trials, arbitrations and class action certification hearings
- Has appellate experience in both the state and federal court appellate systems and has more than a dozen reported decisions to his credit, many of which establish important legal precedents for future commercial disputes
- Experienced in trust and probate litigation, including will contests, claims of undue influence or lack of capacity, probate accountings, actions brought against personal representatives or trustees, elective share issues, and actions involving creditor claims
- Represented such clients as prominent regional and national development corporations, a state university and one of the nation's largest school districts
- Has practiced before state and federal courts, administrative agencies and American Arbitration Association panels including numerous bench and jury trials

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®](#), Commercial Litigation (2023–2026), Litigation – Trusts and Estates (2024-2026), Litigation - Real Estate (2026)
- Recipient, 2021 American Lawyer Litigation Team of the Year Award for Florida

Professional Activities

- Member, The Florida Bar
 - Real Property, Probate, and Trust Law Section
- American Bar Association

of Florida

Practice Areas

[Appellate Practice & Legal Strategies](#)

[Commercial Litigation & Business Torts](#)

[Corporate & Securities](#)

[Probate Litigation](#)

[Construction and Construction Transactions](#)

Industries

[Banking & Financial Services](#)

[Construction and Construction Transactions](#)

[Insurance](#)

[Real Estate](#)

- Orange County Bar Association

Community

- Past President and Member of Board of Directors, Sweetwater Episcopal Academy

