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SUMMARY

Proactive mediator and arbitrator with a focus on building rapport and creating a collaborative environment to reach successful outcomes. Keen ability to quickly identify, understand, and address complex issues and challenges. Extensive experience and understanding of the law in the following areas: first-party property insurance; bad faith; contractual disputes; general liability; premises liability; products liability; wrongful death; automobile negligence; construction accident; construction defect; and subrogation matters.

CREDENTIALS

Florida Supreme Court Certified County Mediator, 40437 R, 2025
Florida Supreme Court Qualified Arbitrator, 2022
Florida Supreme Court Certified Circuit Mediator, 40437 R, 2021
AV Preeminent® Peer Review Rating, 2013
U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida, 2009
U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida, 2007
Florida Bar, 718521, 2004

REPRESENTATIVE PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Alvarez Dispute Resolution

2022 – Present

Accomplished, conflict resolution professional with a statewide practice providing dispute resolution solutions including mediation, arbitration, and hybrid mediation/arbitrations.

Cassel & Cassel, P.A.

Attorney: 2019 – 2022

Responsible for the oversight and litigation of residential and commercial first party property insurance matters throughout the state of Florida. Successfully resolved numerous cases on behalf of insured homeowners, business owners, and associations.

Heritage Property & Casualty Insurance Co.

Chief Litigation Counsel: 2018 – 2019

Managing Attorney: 2016 - 2018

Recruited, developed, and managed a team of over 30 lawyers and staff to handle all residential first party property matters through the staff counsel operation, which included overseeing and guiding strategy for thousands of legal matters. Personally negotiated and resolved hundreds of Hurricane Irma claims through the use of global settlement conferences.

Kelley Kronenberg,

Partner: 2012 – 2016

Senior Associate and Appellate Counsel: 2010 – 2012

Responsible for first party and third party insurance defense cases throughout the state of Florida from inception through appeal, including trying cases to verdict. Case types include: first party property matters for residential, commercial, and sinkhole claims and third party litigation including: general liability; wrongful death; automobile negligence; products liability; construction accident; construction defect; and subrogation claims.

Quintairos, Prieto, Wood & Boyer, P.A.,

Associate Attorney and Appellate Counsel: 2004 – 2010

Handled complex general liability, automobile negligence, toxic tort/environmental, and construction defect claims from inception through appeal, including trying liability cases to verdict, preparation of appellate briefs, and successful oral argument in front of the Third District Court of Appeal.

Mager Law Group, P.A., Fort Lauderdale, FL

Associate Attorney: 2004

Assisted in handling complex long term care and general liability defense litigation.

EDUCATION**Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL**

Juris Doctorate, December 2003 *Magna Cum Laude*

Goodwin Scholar

University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

Bachelor of Arts, December 1999, *with Honors*

SEMINARS/PUBLICATIONS

- *Successful Arbitration Strategies for Resolving Wind & Property Claims*, Windstorm Insurance Network Conference, January 2025;
- *Decorum in Litigation Panel Speaker*, FAIR Foundation Virtual Conference, October 2020;
- *How to Effectively Mediate First Party Property Cases*, 21st Annual Windstorm Insurance Conference, January 2020;
- *Interacting with the Insured's Representatives*, FIFEC Annual Conference, June 2017;
- *Fraud Updates and Defense Strategies for Property Claims*, South Florida Claims Association Continuing Education Seminar, March 2016;
- *Interacting with the Insured's Representatives*, FIFEC Annual Conference, June 2015;
- *Job Site Injuries: A Look at Worker's Compensation Immunity and the Current Legal Trends*, Construction Ink!, Construction Association of South Florida, Spring/Summer 2015
- *Assignment of Benefits: The Trends, the Law, and Tips on Handling Claims*, South Florida Claims Association Annual Meeting, May 2015;
- *Interacting with the Insured's Representatives*, FACAP Annual Conference, November 2014;
- *Slips, Trips & Falls – Legal Updates and Defense Strategies*, October 2014;
- *Fraud Updates and Defense Strategies*, South Florida Claims Association General Meeting, September 2014;
- *Legal Update & Defense Strategies for Auto Claims and How to Avoid Bad Faith*, August 2014;
- *Back to the Future, Exploring Fraud Issues in a World Without PIP*, FIFEC Annual Conference, June 2014;
- *Crisis Response and Communications*, Presenter at the Associated General Contractors of America Safety Committee Meeting, March 2014;