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Practice Areas

*Commercial Litigation and Dispute Resolution
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- Business and Commercial Litigation
- Construction Litigation
- Franchise Litigation
- Professional Liability Defense
- Employment and Labor Law
- Intellectual Property Litigation
- Antitrust Litigation
- Securities Litigation
- Appellate Practice

Experience

Ed Savitz is an experienced trial and appellate attorney whose practice focuses primarily on commercial litigation. He regularly represents corporate and individual clients at both the trial and appellate level in matters involving construction litigation, franchise litigation, intellectual property litigation, and professional liability litigation including attorney, accountant, and design professional malpractice defense. He is also a certified mediator in federal court. Mr. Savitz is an approved panel attorney for most professional liability insurance carriers.

Bar Admissions

Mr. Savitz is admitted to practice in Florida, the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida, and the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit.

Education

Duke University, B.A., 1969

University of Florida, J.D., with honors, 1974

- Executive Editor, University of Florida Law Review

Recognitions, Associations and Professional Activities

Mr. Savitz is an affiliate member of the American Institute of Architects and an allied member of the Tampa Bay Chapter and Florida Association of the American Institute of Architects. Mr. Savitz is a member and has served on the Board of the Hillsborough County Bar Association. He has also served as Chairman of the University of Tampa Board of Counselors and the University of Tampa Board of Fellows. Currently, Mr. Savitz is a Trustee of the Merrie-Woode Foundation, Inc. In addition, Mr. Savitz has been President of University Club of Tampa and a Senior Warden of St. John's Episcopal Church. He is a frequent lecturer and presenter at risk management seminars and was a member of the Advisory Council for a major lawyers' professional liability insurance program. Mr. Savitz is a Master of the Terrell Inn Chapter of the American Inns of Court. Mr. Savitz is a recipient of the University of Florida Law Review Alumni Association Commentary Award and the Gertrude Brick Law Review Apprentice Prize. Mr. Savitz was commissioned as a field



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artillery officer in the United States Army and was awarded the Army Commendation Medal upon his honorable discharge in 1972. Mr. Savitz has been recognized as one of the Best Lawyers in America. He has also been named to Florida's "Legal Elite" by *Florida Trend Magazine* and has been recognized as a "Super Lawyer" by *Florida Super Lawyers Magazine*. Mr. Savitz has been awarded an AV rating by Martindale-Hubbell.

Personal

Mr. Savitz was born in Atlanta, Georgia and raised in Tampa, Florida.