

Kelly Overstreet Johnson transitioned from a 40-year litigation, mediation and arbitration practice to a full-time alternative dispute resolution practice with *Overstreet Johnson Mediation & Arbitration, LLC* on February 1, 2022. Ms. Johnson has been a Florida Supreme Court Certified Circuit-Civil mediator since 2007 and is a Florida Supreme Court qualified arbitrator where she handles both non-binding and binding arbitrations. She serves as a panelist for the American Arbitration Association on the commercial, large complex, employment and consumer panels.

Ms. Johnson has a multi-jurisdictional practice and offers both in-person and virtual mediations and arbitrations. She is well known for her interpersonal skills and persistence in successfully resolving cases which she mediates. Her past litigation and mediation experience is wide-ranging and included business and commercial; general civil; tort; probate and estate; class actions; premises liability; real estate and a broad range of employment matters. Examples include breach of contract, non-competition agreements, hospital privileges; claims for deceptive and unfair trade practices; fiduciary litigation involving undue influence; employment-related matters in state and federal court; real estate litigation, wrongful death; breach of guaranty agreements; fraud in the inducement; legal and medical malpractice; false arrest; trademark infringement; invasion of privacy; false light, defamation, nursing home litigation; and False Claims Act claims involving Medicaid reimbursement.

She is a Past President of The Florida Bar, the third woman to be elected; and was the first woman elected President of the Tallahassee Bar Association; she is also a past President of the Tallahassee Women Lawyers. Ms. Johnson is AV® rated by Martindale-Hubbell, and repeatedly named as a Florida Super Lawyer or Legal Elite. Immediately prior to becoming a full-time mediator and arbitrator, Ms. Johnson opened and managed the Tallahassee office of Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz for eight years.

MEDIATION/ARBITRATION

Florida Supreme Court Certified Circuit Civil Mediator Florida Supreme Court Qualified Arbitrator

AAA Arbitrator (Commercial, Large Complex Commercial, Employment and Consumer Panels)

AAA Mediator

American College of Civil Trial Mediators
Fellow, International Academy of Mediators
The Florida Academy of Professional Mediators, Inc.
The National Academy of Distinguished Neutrals
The Florida Circuit-Civil Mediator Society

Mediation Calendar:

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EMPLOYMENT

Overstreet Johnson Mediation & Arbitration, LLC (February 2022 to present)

Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, P.C. Office Managing Shareholder (2014-2022)

Broad and Cassel, Partner (1990-2014)

Kelly Overstreet Johnson, Attorney at Law (1988-90)

Ervin, Varn, Jacobs, Odom & Kitchen (1985-88)

Florida Department of Legal Affairs (1983-1985)

BAR ADMISSIONS

Admitted to practice law in Florida (1982)

U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit (1983) U.S. District Court, Northern, Middle and Southern

Districts of Florida (1983)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

American Bar Association

House of Delegates, Member (1992-94), (2003-2006)
Section of Litigation, Co-Chair, Alternative Dispute
Resolution (2022-2024), Council member (2012-2015),
Committee, Co-chair (2006-2013)

Member (1983-present)

Section of Dispute Resolution (2010-present)

Women in Dispute Resolution

American Bar Foundation, Fellow

Florida Association for Women Lawyers, Treasurer (1988-89)

Florida Bar Foundation, Fellow

Florida Council of Bar Association Presidents

Florida Government Bar Association

Judicial Nominating Commission, 1st District Court of Appeals (1994-98); 2nd Judicial Circuit (1990-94 and 2007-2011)

National Conference of Bar Presidents.

Member, Executive Council (2005-2008)

Tallahassee Bar Association, Board of Directors

(1987-89 and 1991-92); President-Elect

(1989-90): President (1990-91)

Tallahassee Women Lawyers, Treasurer (1982-84);

President (1984-85); Board of Directors (1985-86)

William H. Stafford American Inn of Court (alumni)

FLORIDA BAR ACTIVITIES

President, The Florida Bar (2004-05)

President-Elect, The Florida Bar (2003-04)

Board of Governors (1997-03)

Judicial Independence Committee (2005-2011)

Annual Meeting Committee, Chair (1996)

Young Lawyers Division Board of Governors (1986-90)

Executive Council, Alternative Dispute Resolution Section (2017-2023)

RECOGNITIONS

Florida Trend's - Legal Elite (2004-present)

Florida Trend's - Legal Elite Hall of Fame (2011- present)

Marquis "Who's Who?

Continental Who's Who Registry of

National Business Leaders

The Best Lawyers in America (2006-present)

Employment Law - Management (2011-2021)

Commercial Litigation (2006-2011)

Bet-the-Company Litigation (2010-2013)

Litigation - Labor and Employment (2011)

Labor Law - Management (2011)

Best Lawyers' 2014 Tallahassee "Lawyer of the Year"

Florida Super Lawyers (2006-present)

Named to "Top 50 Women Florida Super Lawyers" list by Florida Super Lawyers (2007, 2012, 2014)

Named to "Top 25 Women Tampa Super Lawyers" list by Florida Super Lawyers (2007)

"2007 Florida Super Lawyer" Law & Politics magazine

Florida Association for Women Lawyers' Rosemary Barkett Outstanding Achievement Award (June 2003)

Tallahassee Bar Association, Recipient, 2018 Martha Barnett Women Lawyers of Achievement Award, presented by the Tallahassee Bar Association

Tallahassee Community College's Outstanding Women of Achievement Award (March 2004)

Tallahassee Democrat's

25 Women You Need to Know (2008)

Tallahassee Women Lawyers' Outstanding Achievement Award for Dedication to the TWL Mission to Promote the Status of Women in the Legal Community (June 2005);

Rose Deeb Kitchen Award (November 2022).

Broward County Hispanic Bar Associations' Gracias Award for Commitment to Diversity (June 2004)

CIVIC ACTIVITIES

Leadership Florida, Class XXIV (2005-2006) Guardian Ad Litem Program Legal Aid Foundation

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