





Scot E. Samis

PARTNER

Scot, an appellate partner in the St. Petersburg office, is AV rated by Martindale-Hubbell and has been chosen as one of the “Best Lawyers in America” and a “Florida Super Lawyer” by his peers.

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Scot Samis is board-certified and has handled appeals at every level in Florida in over 30 years of practice. Legal disputes can go through many phases. From pre-suit investigations through trial and appeal, the ability to analyze where a case can go is every bit as important as knowing where it stands.

Experienced appellate counsel is part of that formula. Scot has handled over 300 appeals, including cases in the Florida Supreme Court, all five Florida District Courts of Appeal, and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit. He provides counsel and representation in a wide range of insurance-related matters at the pre-litigation, trial and appellate levels, and acts as a consultant on legislative strategy and policy drafting. Scot has presented seminars on numerous legal topics and has been a featured speaker for several professional and business organizations. He also served as an adjunct professor at Stetson University College of Law from 1994-2004.

In keeping with the firm's commitment to be good citizens as well as good lawyers, Scot is actively involved with several charitable organizations in the Tampa Bay area. He is a trustee and past president of the Community Law Program, a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing free legal services to those in need, and volunteers his services and support to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul and Southeast Guide Dogs.

EDUCATION

- Stetson University College of Law, J.D., *cum laude*
- Hamilton College, A.B., *cum laude*

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Florida

BOARD CERTIFICATION

- Appellate Practice – Florida

PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS

- DRI
- Adjunct Professor of Law, Stetson University, 1994-2004
- Florida Bar Appellate Practice Section
- President and Trustee – Community Law Program (Pro Bono Legal Aid Organization)
- Free Legal Clinic volunteer
- Volunteer, Society of St. Vincent de Paul