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Practice Areas

- Litigation and Dispute Resolution
- Private Client Services
- Insurance

Education

- J.D., Stetson University College of Law, 2019
  - National Order of the Barristers
- B.A., Flagler College, 2016

Admissions

- Florida
- United States District Court, Middle District of Florida
- United States District Court, Southern District of Florida
- United States District Court, Northern District of Florida

Overview

Jade Wooden is a shareholder in the firm's Litigation and Dispute Resolution Practice Group, focusing on trust, estate, and fiduciary litigation, as well as contested guardianships. In addition to these areas, Jade is adept at handling a wide variety of complex commercial and business disputes, including cases involving the Florida Revised Limited Liability Company Act, the Business Corporation Act, the Florida Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act, the Anti-Cybersquatting Consumer Protection Act, the Florida Wrongful Death Act, and more. With extensive expertise across all phases of litigation and alternative dispute resolution, Jade has successfully represented clients in both state and federal courts.

Representative Matters

Commercial Litigation

- Successfully defended LLC members in arbitration brought by other member on claims for breaches of statutory and common law fiduciary duties, breaches of the LLC operating agreement, and for permanent injunctive relief, which sought to enjoin defendants from making business decisions without unanimous consent of all members. Prevailed on counterclaim to dissociate and terminate plaintiff from the LLC as a member and manager. Obtained favorable award of Defendants' attorneys' fees and costs incurred in defending the arbitration. Angela Perry v. John L. Conyers and Priscilla W. Conyers, et al., Case No.: 22-CA-005168, Circuit Court of the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit in and for Hillsborough County, Florida.
- Defended clients in breach of oral agreement proceeding; obtained dismissal of clients from lawsuit.
- Represented Medicare Secondary Payer compliance company in interpleader action.
- Represented corporation in breach of commission splitting agreement proceeding.

Probate and Trust Litigation

- Representative experience includes challenges to the validity of wills and trust instruments due to undue influence and lack of testamentary capacity, actions for the removal of trustees and personal representatives, breaches of fiduciary duty by trustees, emergency temporary guardianships, capacity disputes in dissolution of marriage matters, securing probate for lost wills, determining marital status and beneficiaries, and claims for exploitation of vulnerable and elderly individuals.

FINRA Arbitration

- Represented beneficiaries of pay-on-death accounts in a FINRA arbitration against broker.

Insurance Defense

- Defended third-party administrator in a breach of contract dispute; obtained

summary judgment.
- Defended wholesale insurance brokers against insureds in breach of fiduciary duty actions involving failure to procure adequate coverage.
- Successfully set aside default and default judgment entered against insurance company for improper service of process.

Honors and Distinctions

- *Florida Super Lawyers*, *Rising Stars*, Business Litigation, 2024-2026
- *The Best Lawyers in America: Ones to Watch*, Commercial Litigation, Insurance Law, 2023-2027
- UMKC's Show Me Challenge National Voir Dire tournament, Runner Up, 2019
- Florida Bar Richard DeWitt Memorial Vis Pre-Moot, Winner, 2018
- Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot Court Board, Finalist, 2018

Professional Involvement

- American Bar Association
  - Tort Trial and Insurance Practice Section
    - Vice-Chair, Litigation and Trial Practice General Committee, 2026-2027
- Hillsborough County Bar Association
- The Real Property, Probate & Trust Law Section of The Florida Bar