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Overview

Robby McDonald is an associate in the firm's Business Transactions Practice Group. Headvises businesses and founders in a broad array of transactional and business matters, including formation, structuring and operation of legal entities, fundraising, mergers and acquisitions, intellectual property, drafting and negotiation of commercial agreements (with emphasis on technology, licensing, and software agreements), and other general business matters.

Robby is driven to assist entrepreneurs, builders, creators, technologists, and artists with their legal needs and has frequently represented clients engaged in areas such as emerging technology and arts and entertainment. He is active in the startup and entrepreneurial community in and around Tampa Bay.

During law school, Robby clerked for the general counsel of Raymond James Trust, as well as the Honorable Ronald Ficarotta, Chief Judge of the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit Court of Florida (ret.).

Honors and Distinctions

- *The Best Lawyers in America: Ones to Watch*, Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions, 2027
- *Florida Super Lawyers*, *Rising Stars*, Mergers & Acquisitions, 2026

Thought Leadership

- "Lifecycle of a Business," Panelist, Bay Area Manufacturers Association (BAMA)'s Made in Tampa Bay Expo, March 2023

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Practice Areas

- Business Transactions
- Corporate Mergers and Acquisitions
- Private Equity and Venture Capital
- Trenam Tech

Education

- J.D., *magna cum laude,* Stetson University College of Law, 2020
  - *Stetson Law Review* -Associate
  - *Journal of International Aging Law & Policy* - Editor in Chief
- B.A., *summa cum laude*, University of South Florida, 2016

Admissions

- Florida