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Overview

Beth Cronin has been a shareholder in the firm since March 2008 and served for many years as a co-leader of the Commercial Litigation Practice Group. Her practice focuses on litigation involving commercial real estate title and leasing, title insurance, and banking, and includes an emphasis on federal court practice and procedure. In addition, she is an Adjunct Professor at Stetson University College of Law, where she teaches a course in contracts for the Masters of Jurisprudence program.

Representative Matters

- Defended national bank in action brought by SEC receiver seeking more than \$180 million in damages based on investment fraud perpetrated by bank's customer. Prevailed on summary judgment on all claims, and successfully defended receiver's appeal to the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit.
- Represented national title insurance company in defense of multimillion claim for alleged loss of development rights due to public's right to use the dry-sand beach area of an Atlantic oceanfront commercial parcel. Prevailed on summary judgment on all claims, and awarded costs and fees incurred in the defense.
- Represented publicly-traded funding company in removing multimillion dollar deceptive trade practices class action to federal court, and in defeating motion to certify plaintiff class.

Honors and Distinctions

- AV Preeminent Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell
- *Florida Trend* Legal Elite, 2010-2011, 2014, 2018
- *The Best Lawyers in America* (Commercial Litigation) 2019

Professional Involvement

- Hillsborough County Bar Association
- St. Petersburg Bar Association
- Federal Bar Association, Tampa Bay Chapter
- United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida Grievance Committee for the Tampa Division, Member



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Practice Areas

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Education

J.D., *cum laude* Stetson
University College of Law, 1995

Stetson Law Review,
Managing Editor
Dan Bradley Memorial
Scholarship
Augusta and Cecil Bailey
Award
Who's Who Among American
Law Students

B.A., Vanderbilt University, 1987

Admissions

Florida

United States District Court,
Middle and Southern Districts of
Florida

United States Court of Appeals for
the Eleventh Circuit