

## Richard K. Fueyo Shareholder

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## Overview

Rick Fueyo is a shareholder in the firm's Litigation & Dispute Resolution Group. His practice focuses on probate, trust and guardianship litigation and includes commercial litigation and antitrust counseling. Prior to law school, Rick worked seven years in the metals industry and the temporary services industry, and as a part-time sportswriter.

## Representative Matters

### Probate and Guardianship Litigation

- Represented both claimants and fiduciaries in will/trust contests involving estates/trusts of various sizes, including contests over assets in excess of \$80 million, obtaining favorable settlements and/or final judgments.
- Represented heir in breach of fiduciary duty action against trustee, resulting in removal of trustee and recovery in favor of heir.
- Represent charitable institutions to protect their rights as named beneficiaries to estates and trusts, obtaining favorable summary judgments
- Defend and advise court-appointed trustee in contested trust administration
- Generally advise financial institutions on issues arising from probate, trusts and guardianship issues with respect to accounts
- Represent families of decedents in various matters involving application of slayer statute

### Commercial Litigation

- Represented commercial tenant in action by prior landlord seeking \$75 million in damages, resulting in defense verdict before the District Court on all matters tried.



## Alternate Contact

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## Practice Areas

Probate and Guardianship  
Litigation  
Litigation and Dispute  
Resolution  
Antitrust and Trade Regulation

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## Education

J.D., with honors, University of  
Florida Levin College of Law,  
1994

Barbara W. Makar Writing  
Award  
Published in the University of  
Florida Journal of Law and  
Public Policy  
"Normative Considerations of  
Asset Forfeiture Under the  
Drug Abuse Control Act"  
Moot Court Team member

B.S., Business Administration,  
University of Florida, 1984

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## Admissions

Florida

United States District Court,  
Middle District of Florida

United States Court of Appeals,

- Represented financial institutions in disputed ownership of special asset properties, resulting in favorable terms of sale.
- Represented property owners in numerous quiet title and reformation actions of errant deeds, resulting in favorable final judgment, including successful appeal.
- Represented successful bidder for governmental contracts against usurpation claims, obtaining favorable outcome.

Eleventh Circuit

### **Antitrust and Trade Regulation**

- Advised building product trade association regarding antitrust compliance.
- Represented local government franchisee in antitrust action, resulting in favorable decision before the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeal.
- Represented former employee against claims and misappropriation of trade secrets, defeating the claim for injunctive relief.

### **Honors and Distinctions**

- AV Preeminent Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell
- *Thirteenth Judicial Circuit Pro Bono Award*, April 2017
- *Florida Legal Elite*, 2013
- *Florida Super Lawyers*, 2015-2021
- *The Best Lawyers in America*, Commercial Litigation, 2021-2022

### **Professional Involvement**

- The Florida Bar
- Federal Bar Association
- Hillsborough County Bar Association
- Tampa Hispanic Bar Association, Board of Directors
- American Bar Association, Section of Antitrust Law
  - Subcommittee on Exemptions and Immunities
  - Vice-Chair, 2011-2013
  - Contributing Editor, 1997-2013
- Tampa City Council
  - Citizens Advisory Budget and Finance Committee, 2016

### **Community Involvement**

- Tampa Hispanic Bar Association
  - Board Member, 2014-present
- Tampa Preparatory School Dad's Club
  - Co-Chair, 2010-2014
- City of Tampa Code Enforcement Special Magistrate, 2009-present
- Greater Tampa Catholic Lawyers Guild, 1998-present

### **Thought Leadership**

- "The Complaint and Other Pleadings for Claims for

- Relief,” Vol.2, Chapter 9, *Lawyers Cooperative Federal Practice Guide*
- “2010 Annual Review of Antitrust Law Developments,” American Bar Association Section of Antitrust Law, State Action Immunity update
  - “Antitrust Law Developments” (Seventh), American Bar Association Section of Antitrust Law, State Action Doctrine
  - “Response to Congressional Antitrust Modernization Commission,” (Contributor) American Bar Association Section of Antitrust Law, Subcommittee on Exemptions and Immunities
  - American Bar Association Section of Antitrust Law, Chapter 5 (Co-Author) *The Noerr-Pennington Doctrine*
  - Speaker, *Literally Draining the Swamp. Some Issues in Florida Real Property*, Cooley Law School, November 2020