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## Litigation Practice Areas

- Commercial Litigation •
- General Civil Litigation •
- Creditors' Rights • Contract Disputes • Landlord/Tenant (Commercial & Residential) •
- Real Estate Litigation •
- General Practice

## Executive Summary

Expert attorney and trusted advisor with more than 25 years spanning prosecution, complex litigation, regulatory matters, and private practice. Proven record of handling high-stakes cases, sensitive investigations, and ethically complex issues. Known for clear communication, principled decision-making, courtroom credibility, discretion and the ability to navigate challenging legal environments while maintaining the highest professional standards.

## Education

### **Juris Doctor, 1996**

University of Tulsa - College of Law

### **Candidate: Master of Public Administration, 1993**

University of Alabama

### **Bachelor of Political Science, 1992**

Minors: English, History

University of Alabama

## Professional Experience

*August 2005 - Present*

### **Equity Partner, Scruggs, Carmichael & Wershow P.A.**

- Client & Business Development: Acquiring new clients, managing key accounts, and driving firm revenue growth.
- Legal Oversight: Managing complex cases, providing strategic legal direction, and reviewing work of associate attorneys.
- Firm Management: Setting financial goals, managing seven-figure budgets, overseeing operations, retirement benefit stakeholder, and making strategic decisions.

- Mentorship & Leadership: Training associates and paralegals, overseeing practice groups, and participating in hiring and promotion decisions.

*August 1996 - July 2005*

**State Attorney's Office, Eighth Judicial Circuit:**

- *January 2003 – July 2005* | Special Prosecution, Sex Crimes, Crimes Against Children, Felony Domestic Violence.
- *January 2002 - January 2003* | Felony Traffic Prosecutor, including DUI Manslaughter, Vehicular Homicide, Felony DUI and all other Felony Traffic Charges.
- *May 2001 – December 2001* | Felony Intake Division
- *August 1999 – March of 2001* | Levy County Traffic and Juvenile Prosecutor
- *September 1998 – August 1999* | Misdemeanor Division
- *August 1996 – July 1998* | Domestic Violence Misdemeanor Division

*Summer 1995-1996*

**Law Clerk, Scruggs & Carmichael, P.A.**

- Legal Research & Writing: Conducting in-depth research on legal issues, drafting case memos, briefs, and orders for judicial or firm review.
- Case Management: Analyzing the appellate record, checking case files for accuracy, and tracking case flow.
- Courtroom Assistance: Attending trials and hearings, taking notes, and assisting with procedural requirements.
- Administrative Support: Maintaining evidence and organizing legal documents for court proceedings.
- Communication: Interacting with counsel and judicial office regarding scheduling, case management, and procedural requirements.

*Spring 1995*

**Legal Intern, University of Tulsa Legal Clinic**

**(Social Security Benefits and Landlord-Tenant Disputes)**

- Legal Research & Writing: Conducting in-depth research on case law, statutes, and regulations; drafting legal memoranda and summaries.
- Case & Document Preparation: Organizing case files, drafting contracts, agreements, motions, and pleadings.

- Litigation Support: Assisting with discovery, preparing exhibit lists, and helping prepare for trials, hearings, and depositions.
- Administrative Support: Filing documents with courts, managing case databases, and scheduling, sometimes with tasks like photocopying.
- Client Interaction: Observing client interviews, assisting with intakes, and communicating with clients under attorney guidance.

*Summer 1994*

**Legal Intern, Tulsa County Public Defender's Office (Adolescent Disputes)**

- Legal Research & Writing: Conducting in-depth research on case law statutes, and regulations; drafting legal memoranda and summaries.
- Case & Document Preparation: Organizing case files, drafting contracts, agreements, motions, and pleadings.
- Litigation Support: Assisting with discovery, preparing exhibit lists, and helping prepare for trials, hearings, and depositions.
- Administrative Support: Filing documents with courts, managing case databases, and scheduling, sometimes with tasks like photocopying.

*Summer 1993*

**Research Assistant, Dr. Norm Baldwin Professor, University of Alabama**

- Legal Research & Analysis: Conducting thorough searches using statutes, case law, and regulations.
- Document Drafting: Preparing memoranda, briefs, motions, and correspondence.
- Citation Checking: Reviewing documents for accuracy and proper legal citation.
- Data Organization: Organizing, coding, and managing case-related data or literature.
- Administrative Tasks: Maintaining case files, and organizing research materials.

*Summer 1991*

**University of Oxford, Oxford, England**

- Studied abroad - Parliamentary Government

**Affiliations & Memberships**

- Alpha Gamma Delta Sorority
- Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society

- Gamma Beta Phi Honor Society
- Eighth Judicial Circuit Bar Association
- Organized the State Attorney's Office Team for the American Heart Walk 2002, 2003, 2004
- Martindale Hubbell AV Rated 2009 - present
- Junior League of Gainesville 1997 - 2001
- Altrusa of Gainesville 2005 - 2007
- Board Member of the Alachua County Humane Society, 2005 – 2007
- American Inns of Court, 2005 - Present
- U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida
- U. S. District Court, Northern District of Florida
- U. S. Bankruptcy Court, Middle District of Florida
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of Florida
- Advisory Board, St. Patrick's School, President 2009 - 2011
- Eighth Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission 2010 - 2014
- North Florida Association of Real Estate Attorneys (NFAREA)