

# JOHN (JACK) SCAROLA

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

May, 1978 to present:

Searcy Denney Scarola Barnhart & Shipley, P.A., General Litigation  
Member, Board of Directors  
Corporate Officer, Secretary/Treasurer  
Board Certified Civil Trial Attorney  
Board Certified Commercial and Business Litigation  
Four appointments as Special Counsel to the Florida Judicial  
Qualifications Commission (investigation and prosecution of ethical violations by members  
of the judiciary)

May, 1973 to May, 1978:

Assistant State Attorney, Fifteenth Judicial Circuit, Palm Beach County, Florida; Chief  
Felony Prosecutor

## **BAR ADMISSIONS**

Florida Bar 1973  
11th Circuit Court of Appeals on 10/1/81  
U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida; 9/23/74 General Bar;  
12/8/82 Trial Bar  
U. S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida 2002

## **MARTINDALE-HUBBELL RATING:**

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## **SIGNIFICANT CASES:**

State v. Herman: (first degree murder conviction in State's first gavel-to-gavel televised trial)  
Farish v. MacArthur: (verdict \$2.5 million)  
Scheller v. American Medical International: (verdict: \$7.25 million)  
Giersbrook v. Mathis: (verdict: \$2.3 million)  
Cohen v. National Ben Franklin Life: (verdict: \$1.3 million)  
Wilmington Trust v. Manufacturers Life: (verdict: \$1 million)  
Tuccicaselli v. Stowers: (verdict: \$1.8 million)

Singleton v. Al Packer, Inc.: (settlement: \$2.5 million)  
Farish v. Bankers Multiple Line Insurance Company: (verdict: \$15.9 million)  
Wallace & Falcon v. Gooding: (settlement: \$1 million)  
Pretschner v. Siegel: (settlement: \$2.5 million)  
Ruff v. Steak & Ale, etc.: (settlement: \$10 million)  
Intermark v. CIGNA/Dental Health (settlement: \$1 million)  
Scheller v. American Medical International: (verdict: \$19.2 million)  
Scheer v. Entel: (verdict: \$1.9 million)  
Ferguson v. North American Van Lines: (verdict: \$15 million)  
Jane Doe v. XYZ, Inc.: (confidential settlement of wrongful death claims in excess of \$20 million)  
Talbot v. Williams: (\$62 million judgment)  
Eastern Cement v. Halliburton: (verdict: \$4.1 million)  
Robinson v. Caulkins: (settlement after Plaintiff's verdict \$13.5 million)  
Leardi v. Manatee Memorial Hospital: (\$6 million settlement)  
Hungerford v. Palm Beach County: (settlement: \$4 million)  
Walks v. Gulf & Warrior: (settlement: \$1.5 million)  
Jane Doe v. XYZ, Inc.: (confidential settlement in excess of \$3 million)  
Jones v. XYZ, Inc.: (confidential settlement in excess of \$17 million)  
Moss vs. Mayer: (confidential settlement in excess of \$1 million)  
Menendez: settlement after trial (\$2.5 million)  
Calves vs. Lennar: (in excess of \$3 million)  
Coleman (Parent) Holdings, Inc. v. Arthur Andersen: (\$70 million settlement)  
Coleman (Parent) Holdings, Inc. v. Morgan Stanley & Co., Inc.: (Verdict: \$1.454 Billion)  
ABC, Inc. v. XYZ, Inc., (confidential settlement in excess of \$10 mil. Following plaintiff's verdict on liability)  
Beers v. Hulick and Reynolds & Reynolds, (Verdict: \$21,600,000)  
Doctor v. Lawyer, (\$4million settlement)  
Vasa v. Applied Digital Solutions, Inc. (\$3 million settlement)  
White Water v. Ethicon (Verdict in excess of \$1.9 million)  
Waterbury v. State Farm (Verdict \$1.8 million)  
Keil v. Keller (Verdict \$3.2 million)  
W v. ABC Medical Center (Confidential settlement in excess of \$1 million)  
Schein v. Ernst & Young, LLP (Verdict in excess of \$17 million)  
Uddin v. Patel, et al (Settlement in excess of \$900,000)  
Mignogna (Pre-suit settlement \$8,400,000)  
Piendle v. R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. and Philip Morris USA, Inc. (Verdict: \$2,470,000 plus attorneys' fees)  
Commercial Consultants, LLC v. BBA U.S. Holdings, Inc., et al. (\$2.175 million plus interest)  
Murphy v. Morton (\$1,365,632.07 plus interest)  
"Jones v. LLCs" (Confidential settlement \$2.5 million)

## **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

The American Trial Lawyers Association 2007 Top 100 Trial Lawyers for the State of Florida

International Academy of Trial Lawyers

Florida Justice Association, f/k/a Academy of Florida Trial Lawyers

American Association for Justice, f/k/a American Trial Lawyers Association

American Bar Association

Florida Bar Association (Standing Committee on Individual Rights & Responsibilities)

Vice Chairman 1986-1987

Chairman 1987-1988

Florida Bar Civil Rules of Procedure Committee (Vice Chairman)

Florida Rural Legal Services, Inc. Board of Directors (appointed by the Board of Governors, Florida Bar)

Florida Equal Justice Center (Board of Directors)

Palm Beach County Bar Association (various committee memberships and chairmanships)

Palm Beach County Justice Association (founding member and past President)

Bioethics Law Project Advisory Committee

Palm Beach County Homeless Advisory Board

Craig S. Barnard American Inns of Court

## **PROFESSIONAL HONORS**

Florida Bar President's Pro Bono Service Award

Guild of Catholic Lawyers Attorney of the Year

Florida House of Representatives Commendation for Public Service

Palm Beach County Bar Association Community Service Award

2006 Daily Business Review Top Civil Litigator of the Year

## **SELECTED FOR INCLUSION IN:**

International Who's Who of Professionals

The Best Lawyers in America in the specialties of commercial, mass tort, medical malpractice, personal injury, and 'bet-the-company' litigation

Florida Consumer Guidebook Law and Leading Attorneys

Marquis Who's Who in American Law, Who's Who in America, Who's Who in the World

Top 250 South Florida Attorneys

Top 500 Lawyers in the U.S.

Florida Super Lawyers

Litigation Counsel of America  
2010 Super Lawyers-Corporate Counsel Edition

### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

State of Florida Police Standards Council, Certified Lecturer, 1974-1978  
Part-time Instructor, Palm Beach Junior College, 1974-1978  
Assistant Special Prosecutor to Second Statewide Grand Jury by appointment of Governor  
Askew, 1977-1978  
Fifteenth Judicial Circuit Grievance Committee, Florida Bar, 1981-1984  
Palm Beach County Task Force on Sex Crimes, 1975-1978

### **COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

The Lord's Place, Inc., Board of Directors/Chairman  
Advocate Marriage Tribunal, Archdiocese of Miami and Palm Beach  
Candidate for the Democratic Nomination for the Office of Florida State Senate, 1978  
Growing Together, Inc. (substance abuse treatment program) Board of Directors  
Guild of Catholic Lawyers (Board of Directors)  
Snug Harbor Foundation - Board of Directors

### **EDUCATION**

B.A. 1969 Georgetown University  
J.D. 1973 Georgetown University Law Center

### **PERSONAL**

Married - January 4, 1969  
Wife - Anita  
Children - Kristen Helene  
John Michael  
Janna Katherine  
David Joseph  
Cara Elizabeth

Grandchildren: 15