### T. Hardee Bass, III

### **LICENSES**

Member, The Florida Bar

### **ADMISSIONS**

State courts of Florida

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Florida

U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida

### **EXPERIENCE**

### ASSOCIATE, Searcy Denney Scarola Barnhart & Shipley PA, West Palm Beach, FL

June 2008 - Present

Trial Lawyer in Tobacco Litigation Unit. Duties include investigating cases, preparing cases for trial, and trying cases against cigarette-makers Philip Morris, RJ Reynolds, Lorillard Tobacco Company and Liggett.

# ASSISTANT STATE ATTORNEY, 15th Judicial Circuit, West Palm Beach, FL

March 2005-June 2008

Litigation of felony cases including researching legal issues, preparing motions, motion hearings, trials and sentencing. Formerly chief of county court division including overseeing training of new attorneys, motion hearings and trials. Trial experience includes 47 jury trials and 12 non-jury trials.

# CERTIFIED LEGAL INTERN, Stetson College of Law Prosecution Clinic, Bradenton, FL Fall 2004

With the Manatee County State Attorney's Office, prosecuted misdemeanors and juvenile cases. Prepared and argued evidentiary motions. Wrote a memo of decline. Interviewed and prepared witnesses for trial.

# **CERTIFIED LEGAL INTERN**, **Stetson College of Law Civil Poverty Clinic**, Bradenton, FL Spring 2004

With Gulfcoast Legal Services, Inc., duties included interviewing prospective clients, legal research, writing motions that were submitted to the court and writing demand letters on behalf of clients. Handled case from start to finish, which included client intake and interview, communicating with opposing counsel, writing motions that were submitted to the court, scheduling hearing time regarding the motions and appearing before the General Master to argue the motions.

#### CLERK, Boves & Farina, P.A., West Palm Beach, FL

Summer 2003, 2004

Practice areas of the firm include Probate, Probate Litigation, Trusts, Estate Planning and Administration, Contested Trusts and Estates, and General Trial Practice. Duties included legal research, writing inter-office memos on the findings, summarizing depositions for upcoming trials, attending hearings on motions and attending depositions.

### **EDUCATION**

### STETSON UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW, St. Petersburg, FL

Juris Doctor, December 2004

### THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY, Tallahassee, FL

Bachelor of Science, April 2001

Major: Communication Studies, Minor: History

### **ASSOCIATIONS**

Palm Beach County Bar Association
Martin County Bar Association
Florida Justice Association
Young Lawyers Section Board of Directors 2011-2012
Palm Beach County Justice Association
American Association for Justice

## **DISTINCTIONS**

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