

## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

### **KAREN E. TERRY**

#### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

##### **July 1995 - Present**

Shareholder at Searcy Denney Scarola Barnhart & Shipley, P.A., West Palm Beach, Florida  
Litigate Plaintiff personal injury, medical malpractice, wrongful death, and product liability cases.

Try complex jury trials, perform extensive depositions all over the country, and settle thousands of cases.

#### **PROFESSIONAL**

**2023 Lawyer of the Year Award in Personal Injury Litigation-Plaintiffs**

**2022 Lawyer of the Year Award in Medical Malpractice, by Best Lawyers in America**

**2022 Trial Lawyer of the Year Award, ABOTA Palm Beach Chapter**

**Recognized in 5 categories as Best Lawyer in Personal Injury, Medical Malpractice, Product Liability, Mass Torts, and Professional Malpractice**

2<sup>nd</sup> most Watched Plaintiff's medical malpractice verdict in the U.S. per CVN

American College of Trial Lawyers, 2020

Florida State Committee of American College of Trial Lawyers, 2022

2019 Legal Elite Hall of Fame

2019 Super Lawyers

Top Lawyers 2019 by Palm Beach Illustrated

International Society of Barristers, 2018, elected to Foundation Board 2022

Supreme Court of Florida Certified Circuit Mediator, 2018

American Board of Trial Advocates (ABOTA), 2009 – Present; 2018 Palm Beach Board Member; 2019 Vice President; 2020 President Elect

Lawyer of the Year Award, 2017, in Mass Tort Litigation/Class Actions-Plaintiffs, by Best Lawyers in America

Selected as Top Lawyer by The American Lawyer, 2017

Board Certified Civil Trial Lawyer, 2016-current

Board Certified Specialist in Healthcare and Medical Malpractice, 2016-current

Selected by peers as Best Lawyers in America, 2009-Present in five categories-personal injury, medical malpractice, product liability, professional malpractice, and mass torts/class action litigation

Chosen as 1 of 10 Best Female Personal Injury Attorneys by American Institute of Personal Injury Attorneys, 2016

2016 West Palm Beach Product Liability Litigation Lawyer of the Year

Named Best Lawyers 2016 Lawyer of the Year in Product Liability Litigation

Named as 2015 Lawyer of the Year in Mass Torts/Class Actions

Top Plaintiff's Verdict in 2015 per Courtroom View Network

Florida Verdicts Hall of Fame, Curtis v Villas, Premises Liability 2014

Chosen as one of TOP Attorneys to Watch in 2014

National Trial Lawyers, selected as top 100 trial lawyers in US

Voted as Top 50 Women Attorneys in Florida

Selected by American Lawyer Media and Martindale-Hubbell as one of the "2013 Top Rated Lawyers" in Health Care.

Honored as Member-Premiere International Who's Who Registry of Outstanding Professionals, 2010-Present

Selected by Law Dragon as Top 500 Lawyers in the US, 2010

Chosen as South Florida Top Lawyers, 2010 – Present

Selected as a member of Florida Legal Elite, 2009 - Present

Selected as Florida Super Lawyer, 2009 - Present

Honored as Top Lawyer in South Florida Legal Guide, 2009 - Present

AV Preeminent rated by Martindale Hubbell, 2009 - Present

Selected Most Effective Lawyer in 2007 by Daily Business Review in products liability.

Member of Million Dollar Advocates Forum for Top Trial Lawyers in America, 1996 – Present.

Selected as one of the top five litigators under the age of 40 by Florida Trend Magazine and South Florida Legal Guide.

Member of American Association of Justice, 1996 - present

Member of Florida Bar Association, 1995 – Present.

Member of Florida Justice Association, 1995 - Present

Member of Palm Beach County Bar Association, 1995 – Present.

Member of Palm Beach County Justice Association, 1995 – Present.

Member of American Bar Association, 1994 – Present.

Mensa, 1994 – Present.

Appointed to the Judicial Relations Committee and Personal Injury Committee for the Palm Beach County Bar Association

**LEGAL  
EDUCATION**

**December 1994**

**University of Florida College of Law**, Gainesville, FL

Dean's List - Honors Student

Student Honor Court, Attorney General

**POST LEGAL  
STUDIES**

**June 1995**

**University of Florida**, Gainesville, FL

Completed a Master's Degree in Communications Law at the University of Florida

**UNDERGRADUATE  
EDUCATION**

**May 1991**

**Duke University**, Durham, NC

Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science, 1991

Graduated in three years with High Honors

Dean's List with Distinction

Golden Key National Honor Society

Political Science National Honor Society

Bench and Bar Legal Society - Vice President

Chairperson of the Panhellenic Judicial Board

Pi Beta Phi Sorority

Also took courses for credit at the London School of Economics,  
University of Madrid, Harvard, Georgetown, and Tufts University

**PUBLICATIONS**

"Video Games, Violence, First Amendment Protection, and Regulation"; University of South Carolina Communications Journal, 1995.

**EARLY  
BACKGROUND**

Graduated 1988 with High Honors from Pine Crest

Preparatory School, Fort Lauderdale, FL

**PERSONAL**

Strong in written and verbal communications and debating.  
Working knowledge and use of the Spanish language.  
Interests include running, yoga, rock climbing, paragliding,  
and travel.

**NOTABLE VERDICTS**

Jury Verdict Award in 2021 in Medical Malpractice Case in the amount of \$2,440,000.00, which exceeded our ask

Jury Verdict Award in 2019 in a Wrongful Death Crash in federal court in the amount of \$5,000,000.00.

Jury Verdict Award in 2015 in a Survivor Automobile Crash Case in the amount of \$6,160,546.04

Jury Verdict Award in 2015 in a Survivor Case Medical Malpractice Case in the amount of \$8,540,786.90. Ranked as #1 trial of 2015 by Courtroom View Network

Jury Verdict Award in 2013 in a Wrongful Death Case in the amount of \$12,065,000.00

Jury Verdict Award in 2007 in a Misfill Prescription Case in the amount of \$25,850,583.77

Jury Verdict Award in 2004 in a Medical Malpractice Case in the amount of \$2,386,026.99

Jury Verdict Award in 2002 in an Automobile Crash Case in the amount of \$1,038,000.00

Jury Verdict Award in 1996 in a Medical Malpractice Case in  
the amount of \$1,854,661.00