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I. BAR ADMISSIONS

1. **State of Florida**
2. **United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida**
3. **United States District Court for the Northern District of Florida**

II. LEGAL EXPERIENCE

1. **Searcy, Denney, Scarola, Barnhart & Shipley, P.A.** West Palm Beach, FL
Shareholder: January 2020 - Present
Associate Attorney: February 2012 - December 2019
2. **Billing, Cochran, Lyles, Mauro & Ramsey P.A.** West Palm Beach, FL
Associate Attorney: July 2011 – February 2012
3. **Romaguera, Dawson, & Humphrey P.A.** North Palm Beach, FL
Associate Attorney: April 2010-June 2011
4. **Wicker, Smith, O’Hara, McCoy, & Ford P.A.** West Palm Beach, FL
Associate Attorney: August 2008 – March 2010
5. **Pinellas County Office of the State Attorney** Clearwater, FL
Certified Legal Intern: January 2008 – April 2008
6. **U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida** Tampa, FL
Judicial Intern: August 2007 – December 2007

III. EDUCATION

1. **Stetson University College of Law** J.D. – May, 2008
Moot Court Board
 - Winner - Best Brief, National Moot Court Competition (Fall 2007)
 - Semi-Finalist - Oral Argument, National Moot Court Competition (Fall 2007)
 - Finalist - Oral Argument, ABA Appellate Advocacy Competition (Spring 2007)
2. **University of Florida** BABA-Cum Laude- May, 2005
 - *Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Recipient*
 - *Vice President and Pledge Educator, Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity*

IV. PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

1. The Florida Bar
2. The Florida Justice Association
3. The Palm Beach County Bar Association
4. The Palm Beach County Justice Association
5. The Craig S. Barnard American Inn of Court
6. The American Board of Trial Advocates
7. The American Association for Justice
8. Fellow of the American Bar Foundation

V. VERDICTS

1.	Olvera-Casas v. TC Crum Roofing	\$3,252,588.01	(August 2012)
2.	E/O Curtis v. Bygel, et al.	\$12,064,302.36	(March 2013)
3.	Campbell v. Stanley	\$76,018.42	(May 2015)
4.	Haley v. Hyland MD	\$1,554,270.38	(June 2017)
5.	Tritt v. University of Florida	\$222,717.17	(December 2017)
6.	Gray v. Iakovidis MD	\$4,914,462.59	(July 2018)
7.	Roland v. Waffle House, Inc	\$115,515.07	(October 2019)

VI. ACCOLADES

1. Best Lawyers in America
2. Florida Super Lawyers
3. Florida Trend Legal Elite
4. National Trial Lawyers “Top 40 under 40”
5. Board Certified by the Florida Bar Association in Civil Trial Law (2019)
6. Member of the American Board of Trial Advocates
7. American Institute of Personal Injury Attorneys “10 Best”
8. Chairman of the Medical Malpractice Committee of the Florida Justice Association (2018)

9. The trial of *Haley vs. Hyland, MD* was recognized as the largest surgical error verdict in the State of Florida in the year 2017.
10. The trial of *Gray v. Iakovidis, MD* was recognized by Courtroom View Network as one of the Top 10 Most Impressive Plaintiff's Verdicts in the United States in the year 2018.
11. The trial of *Roland v. Waffle House, Inc.*, was recognized as one of the Top 40 Slip and Fall verdicts in the state of Florida in the year 2019.