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Richard M. Sebek's practice includes nursing home litigation, medical malpractice, admiralty and maritime, premises torts, products liability, boating accidents, construction litigation and insurance litigation.

Representative Experience

- Banker Lopez Gassler P.A., Tampa, FL
Shareholder, November 2008 to Present
- Fowler White Boggs Banker P.A., Tampa, FL
Shareholder, 1994 to 2008
Associate, 1987 to 1994
- United States Coast Guard Reserve (Retired June 30, 1997)
 - Senior Reserve Legal Officer, Seventh Coast Guard District
Legal Office, Miami
 - Commanding Officer, Reserve Unit, St. Petersburg,
Promoted to Commander July 1991
 - Commanding Officer, Reserve Unit, Venice
 - Executive Officer, Reserve Unit, Marine Safety Office,
Tampa
 - Executive Officer, Reserve Unit, St. Petersburg, Promoted
to Lieutenant Commander April 1986
- United States Coast Guard
Active Duty Status, June 1975 to August 1984
Detached Duty Merchant Marine Vessel Inspector, Panama City,
Florida, 1981 to 1984
- U.S. Coast Guard, Marine Safety Office, Mobile, Alabama
Chief of Licensing, Commercial Vessel Inspector, Investigating
Officer 1978 to 1981
- United States Coast Guard, LORAN Station, Kwajalein, Marshall
Islands
Commanding Officer, 1977 to 1978

Practice Areas

Health Care Litigation
Nursing Home & ALF
Litigation
Medical Malpractice /
Professional Liability
Admiralty & Maritime Law
Military Law
Premises Liability
Products Liability

Education

J.D., With Honors, Stetson
University College of Law,
1987
B.S., With Honors, United
States Coast Guard
Academy, 1975

Bar Admissions

Florida

- U.S. Coast Guard, Cutter GENTIAN/U.S. Coast Guard Cutter BLACKTHORN, Galveston, Texas
Served on board the GENTIAN until its decommissioning, on board replacement cutter BLACKTHORN, served as operations officer and chief navigator until 1977; 1975 to 1977

Presentations and Publications

Presentations

- Frequent Lecturer, National Business Institute, Inc.

Professional Affiliations

- The Florida Bar
- Florida Defense Lawyers Association
- Hillsborough County Bar Association: Elder Law section; Health Care Law section; Military Liaison Committee
- Maritime Law Association: Products Liability Committee; Recreational Boating Committee
- Southeastern Admiralty Association
- Southeast Law Institute

Distinctions

AV Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell

The Best Lawyers® in America, 2005-2014, 2016-2021

Best Lawyers®, Lawyer of the Year 2020, Litigation - Health Care, Tampa

Florida Super Lawyers®, 2010-2020

Florida's Top Lawyers in Health Care, *Florida Monthly Magazine*, 2004-2006

Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities, Stetson University College in Law, 1986

Florida Legal Elite, *Florida Trend Magazine*, 2013; ranked in the top 2% of practicing Florida Bar Members

Court Admissions

Florida State Courts

U.S. Court of Appeals,
Eleventh Circuit

U.S. District Court,
Northern District of Florida

U.S. District Court, Middle
District of Florida

U.S. District Court,
Southern District of Florida