

**Douglas B. Melamed**

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Douglas Melamed practices in all areas of insurance defense litigation and insurance coverage litigation. His practice has focused on products/premises liability, construction litigation, liquor liability, wrongful death claims, medical malpractice, negligent security, and professional liability and malpractice claims against directors/officers and errors/omissions claims. Additionally, he has developed a niche practice in representing and defending professional and amateur sports and athletic organizations and venues against liability claims in the aforementioned areas of litigation. He has successfully represented a diverse group of clientele including sports organizations and venues, child care centers, taverns/bars, roofers, general contractors, fire sprinkler companies, health care institutions, commercial plazas, security companies, product manufacturers, and insurers. In doing so, Mr. Melamed has handled every aspect of the litigation process from advanced motion practice to trial and all the way through to appeal. Mr. Melamed prides himself on always being available for the needs of his clients and bringing the highest level of professionalism and ethics to every case.

**Representative Experience**

- Banker Lopez Gassler P.A., Ft. Lauderdale, FL  
Shareholder, 2013 to Present
- Bell & Melamed, LLC, Ft. Lauderdale, FL  
Managing Member, 2004 to 2013
- Ritter, Chusid, Bwona & Cohen, Boca Raton, FL  
Associate, 2002 to 2004
- Michaud Bushman Boca Raton, et al Boca Raton, FL  
Associate, 2001 to 2002
- Milton, Leach, D'Andrea, Jacksonville, FL  
Associate, 1998 to 2001

**Practice Areas**

Civil Litigation  
Construction Litigation  
Health Care Litigation  
Medical Malpractice  
Nursing Home & ALF Litigation  
Products Liability  
Insurance Defense  
Negligent Security Litigation  
Personal Injury Litigation  
Premises Liability  
Wrongful Death  
Liquor Liability  
Automobile Negligence  
Professional Liability

**Education**

J.D., University Of Miami  
School Of Law, 1998,  
(Litigation Skills Honors,  
National Mock Trial Team)  
M.S., Education And Sports  
Science, University Of Miami,  
1995  
B.A., Philosophy/History, State  
University Of New York at  
Binghamton, 1992

**Professional Affiliations**

- The Florida Bar
- Defense Research institute
- Broward County Bar Association
- Florida Association of Self-Insureds
- National Fire Protection Association

**Community Involvement**

- City of Coral Springs Youth Soccer League Member/Coach
- Boy Scouts of America Pack 246

**Distinctions**

**AV Peer Review Rated**, by Martindale-Hubbell

**Cambridge Who's Who**, (2009-2010)

**Bar Admissions**

Florida

**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

U.S. Supreme Court