

## Jeffrey M. Bell

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Jeffrey Bell is an experienced trial lawyer who has tried numerous cases before state and federal juries and judges. His practice focuses on products liability and toxic tort defense, complex commercial litigation, professional liability, insurance defense, premises liability, construction defects, insurance coverage and bad faith. Mr. Bell maintains an active appellate practice in these fields. He also has defended private property owner rights throughout Florida and particularly in the Florida Keys.

### Representative Experience

- Banker Lopez Gassler P.A., Ft. Lauderdale, FL  
Shareholder, April 2013 to Present
- Bell & Melamed, LLC, Ft. Lauderdale, FL  
Founding/Managing Partner, 2004 to 2013
- Ritter Chusid Bivona Cohen, Boca Raton, FL  
Partner, 1998 to 2004
- Herzfeld & Ruben, Miami, FL  
Partner, 1993 to 1998
- Casanova & Bell, Miami, FL  
Partner, 1992 to 1993
- Sherman Waldman Bell & Ritter, Boca Raton, FL  
Partner, 1989 to 1992
- Taylor Brion Buker & Greene, Miami, FL  
Partner, 1982 to 1989

### Practice Areas

Products Liability  
Toxic Tort  
Commercial Litigation  
Professional Malpractice  
Premises Liability  
Construction Litigation  
Insurance Coverage  
Bad Faith  
Appellate, Law & Coverage  
Automobile Negligence

### Education

J.D., Nova Southeastern  
University, 1983  
B.A., Political Science,  
Colgate University, 1977

### Bar Admissions

Florida

**Professional Affiliations**

- American Bar Association
- Federal Bar Association
- The Florida Bar
- Defense Research Institute
- Broward County Bar Association

**Distinctions**

2009 South Florida Business Review Most Effective Lawyers

**Court Admissions**

Florida State Courts

U.S. Court of Appeals,  
Eleventh Circuit

U.S. District Court, Middle  
District of Florida

U.S. District Court,  
Southern District of Florida