

## Erin E. Banks

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## Overview

Erin Banks advises and represents clients in construction and real estate development disputes. Erin's experience includes resolving a variety of construction defect claims, contract disputes, delays, and other complex commercial litigation. Her clients include nationwide homebuilders, developers, owners, general contractors, subcontractors, and design professionals.

Erin also represents buyers and sellers of real property through all stages of the transaction, from negotiating and drafting contract documents through due diligence and closing.

Erin also has extensive experience in the establishment and representation of community development districts throughout Florida, including representing both districts and developers in the issuance of tax-exempt bonds, providing general counsel services to districts, and advising owners, developers and lenders as to restructuring district debt and district foreclosure actions.

## Areas of Focus

### Practices

- Construction
- Banking, Commercial, and Consumer Finance

### Industries

- Construction
- Banking, Commercial, and Consumer Finance

- Real Estate
- Government Law & Consulting
- Real Property Litigation
- Construction Litigation
- Development
- Institutional Investment and Finance

- Real Estate

## Insights

10.01.2016

Triggering Rip and Tear Coverage

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03.01.2016

Injury is Nearly a Fact, While Rip and Tear is No Longer a Wild Card

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02.01.2016

The Rippin' and the Tearin

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02.01.2015

Boilerplate Objections – The Devil is in the Details?

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02.01.2014

P3s in Florida: Innovation in Public Projects

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02.01.2013

To Relate Back, Or not to Relate Back? That is the Question

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02.01.2012

New Mediation Rule: More Accountability or Complications?

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10.01.2009

The Legislative Death of the Crescent Transaction?

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11.01.2008

What is a CDD, and Why Should You Care?

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10.01.2003

High Court Wades into Florida's Stormwater Controversy

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## News

06.28.2021

Carlton Fields Named Top Firm and Attorneys Named Legal Leaders in Florida Trend's 2021 "Legal Elite"

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06.23.2017

Florida Super Lawyers Ranks 92 Carlton Fields Attorneys as 2017 "Super Lawyers" and "Rising Stars"

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## Recognition

- *The Best Lawyers in America*, Construction Litigation (2023–2024)
- Florida Legal Elite, *Florida Trend Magazine* (2021)
- Florida Rising Stars, *Super Lawyers Magazine* (2011–2017)

## Professional & Community Involvement

- American Bar Association
  - Forum on Construction Law
    - Publications Committee (2014–present)
    - Steering Committee of the Design Division (2014–present)

- Arkansas Bar Association
- Hillsborough County Bar Association
  - Articles Subcommittee of the Construction Law Committee (2011–present)
  - Co-Chair, Articles Committee (2012–present)
- Leadership St. Pete, Class of 2009
- Leadership Tampa Bay, Class of 2012
- St. Petersburg Bar Association
  - Co-Chair, Real Property Section (2009–2010)
  - Chair, Judicial Reception (2009)
- St. Pete Suncoasters (2013–present)
- SPCA Tampa Bay
  - Board of Directors (2009–2014)
  - Secretary (2012–2014)
  - Vice President (2010–2012)
  - Chair, Governance Committee (2010–2012)
  - Women’s Giving Circle (2010–present)

## Speaking Engagements

- “Getting To’ CGL Coverage for Rip and Tear Damages in Construction Defect Claims,” ABA Forum on Construction Law Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C. (April 21, 2017)
- "Construction Bonds: What You Don't Know May Hurt You," ACREL/ALI-CLE (April 21, 2015)
- "Failures of the Built Environment: Architectural, Structural and Legal Perspectives," ABA Forum on Construction Law Annual Meeting, Boca Raton, FL (April 2015)
- "Anatomy of a Real Estate Project Meltdown: District, Developer, Trustee, and Conventional Lender Perspectives," Secrets of CDDs: Unveiling the Mysteries and Unlocking the Possibilities, The Florida Bar Continuing Education, Tampa, FL (January 2013)
- “Through the Looking Glass – Foreclosure Litigation From a Lender’s Perspective,” St. Petersburg Bar Association (October 2009)
- "Resolving Real Estate Title Defects," National Business Institute, Fayetteville, AR (April 2008)

## Credentials

### Education

### Court Admissions

- U.S. Court of Federal Claims

- Stetson University College of Law (J.D., cum laude, 2004)
- University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (B.A., 2001)
- U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida

## Bar Admissions

- Arkansas
- Florida

## Background

- Associate, Mitchell Williams Selig Gates & Woodyard, PLLC, Rogers, AR
- Associate, Hopping, Green & Sams, P.A., Tallahassee, FL
- Assistant General Counsel, Florida Department of Management Services, Tallahassee, FL