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Overview

Fred Hawkes practices in the appellate and commercial litigation areas in both state and federal courts and has significant experience representing clients in insurance coverage disputes.

Fred also has experience in constitutional law, including opposing several initiative petitions such as *Advisory Opinion to the Attorney General re Tax Limitation*, 644 So. 2d 486 (Fla. 1994) (voter approval of new taxes, tax corps).

All Insights

01.21.2005 Significant Appellate Decision - Federal Arbitration Act

11.23.2004 Significant Appellate Decision - Bad Faith

11.05.2004 Florida's New Good Faith Duty on an Insurer Not to Settle

02.13.2004 Significant Appellate Decision - Res Judicata Effects

04.17.2003 Significant Appellate Decision - Due Process Limitations

Recognition

- AV Rated by Martindale-Hubbell

Professional & Community Involvement

- The Florida Bar
 - Appellate Rules Committee, Appellate Practice Section
- American Bar Association

- Northern District of Florida Bankruptcy Bar Association

Credentials

EDUCATION

- Cornell Law School (J.D., *magna cum laude*, 1980)
- University of London (M.A., 1975)
- Harvard University (A.B., *magna cum laude*, 1972)

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Florida

COURT ADMISSIONS

- United States Supreme Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Florida
- Florida State Courts

CLERKSHIPS

- Hon. Alan C. Sundberg, Florida Supreme Court

Background

- Staff Attorney, The Florida House Health Care & Insurance Committee, chaired by representative Tom Gustafson
- Law Clerk to the Honorable Alan C. Sundberg, Florida Supreme Court

Areas of Focus

PRACTICES

- Appellate & Trial Support
- Creditors' Rights and Bankruptcy
- Life, Annuity, and Retirement Litigation
- Litigation and Trials
- Property & Casualty Insurance