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A commercial litigator and trusted advisor, Jonathon Pressley counsels businesses, executives, and organizations facing high-stakes disputes and complex intellectual property challenges. Jonathon represents clients in civil litigation matters in state and federal courts, focusing on intricate business disputes that span complex contract claims, products liability defense, officer and director disputes, trust and probate litigation, construction disputes, real property litigation, commercial landlord-tenant disputes, insurance coverage disputes, unfair and deceptive trade practice claims, fraud and fraudulent transfer claims, creditor's rights and loan enforcement disputes, defamation claims, and non-compete matters.

In his practice, Jonathon has litigated cases through trial and appellate courts, and his published decisions include *James v. Leigh*, 145 So. 3d 1006 (Fla. 1st DCA 2014), which helped shape the legal landscape of the absolute litigation privilege in Florida.

Jonathon also maintains a robust intellectual property practice. He regularly represents clients in trademark and copyright infringement disputes, trade secret disputes, licensing agreement disputes, trademark policing, anti-cybersquatting claims, takedown claims under the Digital Millennium Copyright Act, and trademark opposition proceedings before the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board.

Related Professional Experience

- DeKalb County Public Defender's Office Juvenile Division, Special Assistant Public Defender, 2009-2010
- Extern to the Honorable Timothy C. Batten, Sr., U.S. District Court, Northern District of Georgia, 2008-2009

Published Work and Lectures

• *Emory. Bankr. Dev. J.*, Author, "A New Solution: 11 U.S.C. 1146(a) and the Ordinary Course of Business Distinction," 2008

Areas of Experience

Litigatio

Commercial Disputes
Directors and Officers (D&O) Liability
Intellectual Property Litigation
Probate and Fiduciary Litigation
Product Liability and Mass Torts
Trademarks
Trade Secrets Restrictive Covenants

Trade Secrets, Restrictive Covenants, and Unfair Competition

Education

J.D., Emory University School of Law, 2009, Order of the Coif, Emory Bankruptcy Developments Journal, Notes and Comments Editor

B.A., University of Florida, 2005, cum laude

Admissions

Bars

Florida Georgia

Courts

U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit

U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Florida

U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida

U.S. District Court, Southern District of Georgia