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Jason Margolin represents businesses and individuals in resolving controversies through court proceedings, trials, alternative dispute resolutions, and administrative proceedings. As a business litigator, Jason has experience successfully advocating for his clients in a wide variety of cases including putative class actions, complex business litigation, breach of fiduciary duty claims, regulatory challenges, construction and real estate litigation, probate/trust disputes, and fraudulent transfers.

# Notable Work

**State Jury Trial on Statutory Penalty:** Successfully first-chaired a week-long trial concerning statutory penalty for misrepresentation and concealment to a jury, obtaining a multi-million dollar judgment in favor of our clients.

Florida's Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practice Act: Represented client in defense of putative class actions in courts across the country claiming breach of contract and deceptive trade practices for ancillary services and charges.

Florida's Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practice Act: Represented a global delivery services company in defense of a putative class action case asserting claims of breach of contract and breach of the covenant of good faith and fair dealing under Florida's Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practice Act.

**Legal Malpractice Litigation**: Represented a law firm defending malpractice and fraud claims with millions at stake.

**Legal Malpractice Litigation**: Defended attorneys against malpractice and breach of fiduciary duty claims.

**Securities Class Action**: Defended a federal securities class action against a global technology distributor and its officers and directors.

#### Areas of Experience

Litigation

Class Action Defense

Commercial Disputes

Commercial Loan Enforcement and Secured

Financing Litigation

Professional Liability

Chapter 11 Business Debtors

Preference and Fraudulent Transfer Litigation

Real Estate Litigation

SEC Receiverships and Ponzi Schemes

Financial Institutions Commercial Litigation

Construction

Probate and Fiduciary Litigation

Insurance Litigation

Equine Law

#### Education

J.D., University of Florida Levin College of Law, 2009,  $\it cum\ laude$ 

B.A., University of Florida, Political Science, 2006, *cum laude* 

#### Admissions

#### Bars

Florida

District of Columbia

#### Courts

U.S. Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit

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

## Related Content

**Breach of Contract**: Represented an equipment rental agency in a class action matter based on allegations of wrongful or excessive charging for refueling and transportation.

Commercial Litigation: Represented a direct response television network in an action involving tort and contract claims arising out of an alleged agreement to produce and broadcast live television events and for the mass marketing of products relating to those events.

Class Action Defense: Represents clients in a wide variety of putative class actions across the country, with an emphasis on contractual and deceptive trade practices, as well as in defense against allegations for violations of Florida's Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act (FDUTPA), Florida Telephone Solicitation Act (FTSA), Florida Consumer Collection Practices Act (FCCPA), and Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA).

**Constitutional Challenges**: Represented local municipalities in defense of challenges to the constitutionality of decisions and policies.

Bankruptcy & Ponzi-Scheme Litigation: Represents creditors and Ponzi-scheme victims in bankruptcy matters, including adversary proceedings and federal court receivership proceedings.

Regulatory Defense: Successfully represented an airport authority in defense of a Part 16 complaint.

**Equine Law**: Successfully represented an event organizer in defense of a challenge to a bid application under the US Equestrian Federation rules.

## Published Work and Lectures

• *The Cramdown*, Co-Author, "Proof of Claim Could Cost You Your Privilege," Spring 2014

#### **Affiliations**

- Florida Supreme Court, Certified Circuit Mediator
- · American Bar Association, Member
- Federal Bar Association, Tampa Chapter, Member
- · Hillsborough County Bar Association, Member
- The Wm. Reece Smith, Jr. Litigation American Inn of Court, Member
- Cheatwood Inn of Court, Member, 2011-2013
- Turnaround Underground, Tampa Chapter, Founding Member
- The Tampa Connection, Graduate, 2013
- Anti-Defamation League, Glass Leadership Institute Program, Graduate, 2011

#### **Honors and Distinctions**

- Best Lawyers, 2023-2025, Listed in Florida for Commercial Litigation
- Benchmark Litigation, 2024, Named to the "40 & Under" List
- Super Lawyers Magazine, 2013-2019, Listed in Florida as a "Rising Star" for Business Litigation
- Florida Trend's Legal Elite, 2017, 2018, 2020, Listed as an "Up & Comer" for Commercial Litigation

Seventeen Akerman Partners Named to *Benchmark Litigation*'s 40 & Under List

September 09, 2024

Akerman Secures Writ of Mandamus in Fight Between Florida County Commissioners and School Board

August 15, 2024

Record Number of Akerman Lawyers Named to *The Best Lawyers in America* 2024 Guide