



#### **ERNEST J. MYERS**

is an attorney committed to the defense of individuals and organizations from civil liability. A native of Philadelphia, he graduated in the top 1% of nearly 1,000 students at Northeast High School. He was graduated magna cum laude from Temple University in 1989, with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in the dual majors of business law and real estate. While an undergraduate, Mr. Myers was an active brother in the International Fraternity of Delta Sigma Pi, a professional business fraternity. He served as President, Senior Vice President and Chancellor of the Omega Chapter.

In the fall of 1989, Mr. Myers moved to Florida and became a permanent resident of the state. He attended the University of Florida College of Law, where he was awarded his Juris Doctor degree in 1992. While in law school, Mr. Myers was a member of Phi Alpha Delta and received the J. Hills Miller Award for outstanding leadership and service. During his second and third years of law school, Mr. Myers worked as a law clerk at a Gainesville law firm while continuing his studies.

Mr. Myers is a founding member of the law firm of Marcus & Myers, P.A., and currently serves as Managing Partner. He practices law in the areas of first-party and third-party insurance litigation, ERISA claim litigation, individual disability and life insurance claim litigation, insurer bad faith litigation, liability insurance defense, property insurance defense, and insurance coverage litigation. Additionally, as an appellate practitioner, Mr. Myers has represented clients in the Florida District Courts of Appeal and the Florida Supreme Court.

Mr. Myers is a member of The Florida Bar, where he served as a Charter Member of the Appellate Practice and Advocacy Section, and other legal organizations. He is admitted to practice before all Florida State Courts, all Florida Federal Courts, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, and the United States Supreme Court.

Knowledgeable on attorney grievance matters, Mr. Myers served on a Florida Bar Grievance Committee from 2004 through 2007. He became chairman of that committee during his tenure. He is available to represent attorneys in grievance committee matters before the Florida Bar.

Mr. Myers is a supporter of Second Amendment Rights, and represents several firearms shops, ranges and clubs in the Central Florida area. He is an NRA Certified Firearms Instructor and enjoys teaching people the knowledge, skills and attitudes necessary for owning and using firearms safely. Additionally, he serves as an officer of the Central Florida Rifle & Pistol Club, and is the former President of the Florida Sport Shooting Association.

Mr. Myers lives in Orlando with his wife, Theresa, and their daughters, Laura and Sarah. His interests include racquetball, reading, fencing, and marksmanship.

### Areas of Practice:

Disability Insurance Defense
Life Insurance Defense
Premises Liability Defense
Automobile Negligence Defense
Insurance Coverage
Insurance Defense
Insurer Bad Faith
Insurance Fraud
Special Investigations Unit (SIU)
Appellate Practice

# **Litigation Percentage:**

85% Litigation and Appeals 10% Drafting Documents for Business 5% Probate and Advance Directives

### **Bar Admissions:**

Florida, 1992
U.S. Court of Appeals 11th Circuit, 1993
U.S. District Court:
Middle District of Florida, 1993
Northern District of Florida, 2000
Southern District of Florida, 2000
U.S. Supreme Court, 2001

### **Education:**

University of Florida College of Law Gainesville, Florida Juris Doctor, 1992

Temple University,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
B.B.A., 1989, magna cum laude
Double Major in Business Law & Real Estate

# **Representative Clients:**

Metropolitan Property & Casualty Insurance Co. Merastar Insurance Company Unitrin Direct Electric Insurance Company Highmark Life Insurance Company Central Florida Rifle & Pistol Club Nationwide Insurance Company

# **Professional Associations and Memberships:**

The Florida Bar Orange County Bar Association Florida Defense Lawyers Association Defense Research Institute (DRI) Anthony House, 1997 - 1999, Director

# **Representative Cases:**

Doyle v. Liberty Life Assurance Company of Boston, 542 F.3d 1352 (11th Cir. 2008) Doyle v. Liberty Life Assurance Company of Boston, 511 F.3d 1336 (11th Cir. 2008).

Spruce Creek Dev. of Ocala v. Drew, 746 So.2d 1109 (Fla. App. 1999)

City of Altamonte Springs v. Kaplan, 701 So.2d 659 (Fla. App. 1997)

Mark C. Arnold Const. Co. v. National Lumber Brokers, Inc., 642 So.2d 576 (Fla. App. 1994)

Dykstra Gulick v. Gulick, 620 So.2d 1256 (Fla. 1993)

A complete list of cases is available on request.



