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Office Location: Orlando

Jayne Ann Skrzysowski-Pittman is the Managing Partner of the Orlando office and Chair of the firm's Construction Practice Group. She defends general contractors, subcontractors, manufacturers, suppliers and design professionals in complex construction defect litigation, and products liability cases in civil, federal and arbitration venues. She also represents carriers at mediation on insurance coverage issues relating to construction litigation including additional insured recovery and indemnification demands. She has been the primary lead counsel in numerous multimillion-dollar construction defect cases including residential, multi-family, single-family custom homes, condominiums and commercial buildings with values in excess of \$20 million.

Board certified in Construction Law, Jayne has completed more than 500 construction mediations and defended more than 175 expert depositions of engineers, architects and industry executives. In addition, she has presented seminars throughout Florida and at national venues on construction topics that include additional insured recovery to adjusters and construction professionals.

Jayne served as Chair from 2018-2019 and Vice-Chair from 2019-2020 of the Construction Certification Committee. Jayne has been recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America* in Orlando for construction law since 2019.



Practice Areas:

- Construction Litigation
- Insurance Coverage
- Premises Liability
- Professional Liability & Services
- General Liability & Casualty
- Governmental Liability
- First Party Property & Coverage

Admitted to Practice:

- Florida, 1997
- U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida, 2005

Education:

- University of Miami School of Law, Juris Doctorate, 1997
- U.S. Army Judge Advocate General's School, 1998
- University of Scranton, Master of Arts in American History, *summa cum laude*, 1994
- University of Scranton, Bachelor of Arts in American History, *magna cum laude*, 1994

Professional Affiliations:

- Sixth Circuit Court of Appeal, Judicial Nominating Commission,

2022-present

- Construction Law Certification Committee, The Florida Bar, Member, July 2015 - July 2018; Chair, July 2018 - July 2019; Vice-Chair, July 2019-July 2020
- DRI Construction Leadership Committee, 2015-2016
- Associated Builders and Contractors, Member
- U.S. Army JAG Fort Bragg, North Carolina, 1997 – 2003

Honors & Awards:

- Board Certified in Construction Law, The Florida Bar, 2014
- *Florida Super Lawyers*, 2020-2023
- *The Best Lawyers in America*, 2019-2024, Listed in Florida for Construction Law, Litigation - Construction
- *Florida Trend's* Legal Elite 2022, Listed for Construction Law
- AV® Preeminent rating, Martindale-Hubbell

Publications:

- "New Hire Wasteland: Identifying and Fostering Talent in a Candidate Barren Environment," Co-Author, DRI House Defense Quarterly Magazine, Winter 2023

Speaking Engagements:

- "Florida Construction Litigation From The Top To The Bottom - 2024," Co-Presenter, Conroy Simberg Webinar, April 2024
- "Construction Litigation Updates 2023," Co-Presenter, Conroy Simberg Webinar, April 2023
- "Identifying and Fostering Talent in a Candidate Barren Environment," Co-Presenter, DRI Construction Law Seminar, January 2023
- "Florida Construction: We Are Open For Business," Co-Presenter, Conroy Simberg, Webinar, April 2022
- "Construction Defect Damages and Developments," Co-Presenter, Construction Law Institute, The Real Property, Probate and Trust Law Section of The Florida Bar, May 2021
- "In Florida, Construction is Zooming 2021," Co-Presenter, Conroy Simberg Webinar, April 2021
- "Once Upon A Time in Florida: Construction Defect Litigation 2020," Co-Presenter, Conroy Simberg Webinar Series, May 2020
- "A Suit Is Born...Construction Defect Litigation In Florida," Co-Presenter, Conroy Simberg Webinar Series, April 2019
- "Defending Building Product Manufacturers," DRI Construction Law Institute, Las Vegas, Nevada, April 12, 2019
- "Women in Construction Breakfast," Keynote Speaker, Florida Bar Construction Law Institute March 8, 2019, Orlando, Florida
- "Hot Topics in Construction Law 2017," Co-Presenter, Conroy Simberg Webinar, November 2017
- "To Defend or Not to Defend: The Dilemma for Carriers, Subcontractors, and Their Counsel," San Diego, California, CLM Construction Conference, October 2017
- "Defending Stucco: Minimizing the Claim and Maximizing your Expert," DRI Construction Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada, March 1-3, 2017
- "David and Goliath: Successfully Litigating a Construction Defect Case for Both the Subcontractor and General Contractor," CLM Construction Conference, September 2016
- "Hurricanes, Floods and Storms," - DRI Construction Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana, June 1-3, 2016
- "Construction Destruction: How to Avoid Pitfalls for Carriers and Counsel While Handling Construction Defect Cases," CLM Construction Conference, November 2015
- "Managing the Tripartite Relationship Between Insured, Insurer and Clients," MC Consultants, June 2015

- "When the Hammer Drops: Handling Construction Accident Claims," MC Consultants, June 2014
- "After the Storm: Insurance Issues After a Hurricane," MC Consultants, 2013

Representative Experience:

- Provide exclusive primary counsel for window manufacturer for last 10 years for products liability and construction defect throughout central and northern Florida.
- Provide primary counsel for balcony concrete/waterproofer subcontractor for last 10 years in construction defect litigation on multi-family residences throughout Central Florida.
- Provide primary defense counsel for general contractor for last 4 years during construction litigation for multimillion-dollar residential condominiums in Orlando, Florida.