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Jeffrey Lam is an experienced litigator and trial attorney focusing his practice on complex commercial, business and civil litigation, including real property and land use, construction, breach of contract, partnership disputes, employment and condominium-related matters. He is also experienced in insurance coverage analysis and disputes, and trusts and probate litigation. He regularly represents clients in matters in both state and federal courts throughout Florida, resolving countless disputes with favorable results for his clients. Jeff's experience encompasses all aspects of the litigation process including case strategy and management, pre-trial motion practice, depositions, hearings, settlement negotiations, trial and appeals.

BACKGROUND

Jeff joined Armstrong Teasdale from Waldman Barnett in 2022, where he worked for over seven years. Prior to his work there, he worked at several large Florida defense firms.

Jeff embarked on a career as a multimedia producer and columnist for CNN/Sports Illustrated's online magazine, NASCAR.com and PGA.com before attending law school. His work for NASCAR.com helped secure an Emmy Award for Most Outstanding Achievement in New Media Technology in 2003.

EDUCATION

- University of Miami School of Law (J.D., *cum laude*, 2007)
 - Honor Society of Bar and Gavel
 - H.O.P.E. (Helping Others Through Pro Bono Efforts) (Project Leader)
- Duke University (B.A., 2000)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- The Florida Bar
- Miami Dade County Bar Association

CHARITABLE AND CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

- University of Miami Law Alumni Association (Young Alumni Committee)
- Duke University (South Florida Young Alumni Committee)
- University of Miami (Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center Young

SERVICES AND INDUSTRIES

Litigation

Complex Commercial
Litigation

Real Estate

Trusts, Estates and Private
Wealth Management

Employment and Labor

Construction Services

Appellate

Commercial

Real Estate, Development,
Construction

Insurance Coverage Litigation

ADMISSIONS

Florida

U.S. District Court, Southern
District of Florida

U.S. District Court, Middle
District of Florida

Philanthropists)

ACCOLADES

- The Best Lawyers in America®, Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Real Estate (2024-present)
- Florida Super Lawyers® Rising Star (2015-2018)

EXPERIENCE

Secured \$4.4 Million Judgment for International Membership Club in Construction Defect Case

Led a litigation team during non-jury trial resulting in a \$4.4 million judgment for client, the largest operator of membership warehouse clubs servicing Latin America (Central America, the Caribbean and Colombia), related to a defective concrete slab floor in their 300,000-square-foot warehouse in Medley, Florida, which ultimately required complete removal and replacement of the floor.

Representation of Commercial Condominium Owner Against Association for Failing to Maintain Property

Represented the owner of commercial condominium space in the historical Hollywood Beach Resort. The condominium association failed to maintain the property and as such the owner is unable to rent or lease the commercial space, and filed suit for breach of declaration.

Counsel to Condominium Associations in Fight to Stop Development in 22-Acre Gated Complex on Biscayne Bay

Represent the condominium associations for two of three buildings in a 22-acre gated complex on Biscayne Bay. Filed suit against a developer in 2016 wanting to develop two additional high-rises in the complex for violation of agreements and easements, as well as inconsistency with the master plans of Miami-Dade County.

Representation of Condominium Association Against Unit Owner for Illegal Modifications

Secured partial summary judgment to-date on liability for condominium association in suit against unit owner for violating the association declaration by illegally modifying common property elements.

Representation of Developer in Construction Defects Matter in Miami's Design District

Represent a developer against a contractor for construction defects related to Class-A office space in the Design District of Miami.

Representation of Real Estate Development, Investment Company in Specific Performance, Breach of Contract Case

Represent a real estate development and investment company against a property owner in a matter in which a binding agreement existed, but the owner failed to finalize the deal and negotiated with another party to purchase the property. Sued for specific performance and breach of contract.

Representation of National Managed Services Provider in Employment Discrimination Case

Represented a national managed services provider in a matter alleging national origin and racial discrimination, as well as retaliation.

Representation of National Managed Services Provider in Action Against International Owner of Luxury and Upscale Hotels

Represented a national managed services provider in an action against one of the largest international owners of luxury and upscale hotels. The case involved civil theft, constructive fraud and violation of the Florida Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act (FDUTPA). Settled favorably for our client.

Representation of Condominium Association Against Former President for Fraud and Breach of Fiduciary Duty

Represented a condominium association against its former, long-standing president who was found to have collected personally on the association dues over his 20-year tenure. The matter involved claims of fraud and breach of fiduciary duty.

Counsel to Commercial Condominium Association Against Neighboring Developer

Represented a commercial condominium association against a neighboring development for trespassing and negligence, including issues related to blocking an easement and property damage. The case was settled favorably for our client after the first day of trial.

Representation of Large Florida Health Care Business Against Private Equity Firm

Represented a large Florida-based health care business against a private equity firm in a matter alleging breach of contract after the sale of the business. The purchase agreement included a true-up provision worth approximately \$30 million which the buyer failed to pay, and the matter ultimately settled favorably for our client.

Counsel to Real Estate Developer Against National Bank in Wire Transfer Matter

Represented a real estate developer against a national bank for negligence related to a wire transfer.

Representation of Owners of Veterinary Medicine Manufacturer and Distributor in Wrongful Termination/Removal, Breach of Fiduciary Duty Case

Represented the 50% owners of a large veterinary medicine manufacturer and distributor against other owners for wrongful termination/removal and breach of fiduciary duty for pushing them out of business. Ultimately settled favorably for our client.

Secured \$26 Million Jury Verdict for Developer

Led a litigation team to secure a \$26 million jury verdict for client and developer in a protracted case brought by an adversarial homeowners' association fighting to stop the development of a luxury condominium project in Aventura's Dumfoundling Bay. The case won recognition as No. 7 in the "Top 10 Verdicts in Florida" in 2018.

Representation of Bahamian Bank in Fraudulent Investment Opportunity in China

Represented a Bahamian bank in a matter in which a real estate investment individual secured funding for a fraudulent development in China. The matter was settled favorably for our client.

Counsel to Beneficiaries in Multimillion-Dollar Trust Dispute

Represented the beneficiaries of a multimillion-dollar trust against the co-trustees for breach of trust and breach of fiduciary duty.

