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Professional Employment

Creed & Gowdy, P.A.

(formerly known as Mills & Carlin, P.A., Mills & Creed, P.A., and
Mills Creed & Gowdy, P.A.)
Jacksonville, Florida
January 2003 – present

Smith, Gambrell & Russell, LLC

(formerly Baumer, Bradford & Walters, P.A.)
Jacksonville, Florida
Partner, 1997 – 2002
Associate, 1992 – 1997

Turner, Enochs & Lloyd, P.A.

Greensboro, North Carolina
Associate, 1991 – 1992

Education

University of North Carolina School of Law

Chapel Hill, North Carolina
Juris Doctor with Honors (1991)

Honors and Activities

Order of the Coif	1991
Legal Research Assistant for Professor Ron Link	1990-1991
Staff Member, North Carolina Law Review	1989-1990
Dean's List	1988-1991
Recipient, Charles S. Mangum, Jr. Scholarship (merit)	1988-1991

University of Virginia
Charlottesville, Virginia
Bachelor of Arts (English) (1988)

Honors and Activities

Dean's List 1984, 1985-1988
Grader, University of Virginia Math Dept. 1986-1988

Professional Qualifications

Admitted to practice in Florida (1992) and North Carolina (1991)

Admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the United States, the United States Court of Appeals for the Third and Eleventh Circuits, and the United States District Court for the Southern, Middle, and Northern Districts of Florida

Board Certified in Appellate Practice by The Florida Bar
2001 – present

Professional Memberships and Community Service

The Florida Bar Appellate Practice Section
Executive Council (2010 – present)
Editor, Appellate Practice Guide (September 2007 – present)
Member, CLE Committee

Jacksonville Bar Association
Appellate Practice Section (Chairman, 2004 – 2005)
Solo and Small Firm Section

First District Appellate American Inn of Court
Master (2012 – present)

Florida Family Law Inn of Court
Barrister (2012 – present)

Chester Bedell American Inn of Court
Barrister (2005 – 2008)

Supreme Court of Florida Committee on Judicial Evaluations (2006 – 2007)

Riverside Presbyterian Day School
Trustee (2010 – present)
Assistant Chair, Building and Grounds Committee (2011 – 2012)
Assistant Chair, Trustees Committee (2012 – 2013)

Riverside Presbyterian Church
Stewardship Committee (2011 – 2012)

Community Hospice Foundation, Sunset in Costa Rica Committee
(2010, 2012)

Recent Notable Cases

Bennett v. St. Vincent's Medical Center, Inc., 71 So. 3d 828 (Fla. 2011)
(represented parents of a severely brain-damaged infant who successfully challenged an overly broad statutory interpretation of Florida's Birth-Related Neurological Injury Compensation Plan (NICA) before the Supreme Court of Florida)

Anderson v. Helen Ellis Memorial Hospital Foundation, Inc., 66 So. 3d 1095 (Fla. 2d DCA 2011) (persuaded the Second District Court of Appeal, on behalf of parents of a brain-damaged child, to enforce the parents' right to elect and pursue their civil remedies against the hospital in circuit court)

Nationwide Mutual Fire Insurance Co. v. Harrell, 53 So. 3d 1084 (Fla. 1st DCA 2010) (represented privately-insured plaintiff in enforcing her right to present evidence to the jury of the gross amount of her total medical bills – rather than the lesser amount actually paid by the private health insurer)

Selected Lectures, Seminars, and Panel Discussions

Offensive and Defensive Strategies for the Proposal for Settlement
Workhorse Seminar
Florida Justice Association
March 2012

Preservation of Error at Trial
Raymond Ehrlich Trial Advocacy Seminar
Jacksonville Bar Association
June 2011

Immediately Appealable Orders

Solo and Small Firm Section of the Jacksonville Bar Association
April 2011

Moderator and Chair, Hot Topics in Appellate Practice Seminar
The Florida Bar Appellate Practice Section
March 2011

Goble: Implications of the Common Law Collateral Source Rule

Auto Negligence Seminar (Fort Lauderdale and Tampa)
Florida Justice Association
September 2010

Preservation of Error

Raymond Ehrlich Trial Advocacy Seminar
Jacksonville Bar Association
June 2010

Appellate Strategies for County Attorneys

Florida Association of County Attorneys
June 2009

Immediately Appealable Orders

Jacksonville Justice Association
April 2009

Recent Case Law on Proposals for Settlement

Solo and Small Firm Section of the Jacksonville Bar Association
March 2009

Federal Case Law Update

Hot Topics in Appellate Practice Seminar
The Florida Bar Appellate Practice Section
November 2006

Moderator, Panel Discussion on Bankruptcy Appeals

Jacksonville Bankruptcy Bar Association
October 2005