

**W. SAM HOLLAND CURRICULUM VITAE**  
**LEGAL EXPERIENCE**

I have tried to jury verdict in excess of 300 jury trials in matters involving medical malpractice, personal injury, quadriplegia, paraplegia, amputations, burn and wrongful death in the areas of general tort liability and products liability. In addition, I have tried numerous insurance coverage cases, contract disputes and commercial matters.

- A. **PRODUCTS.** Represented manufacturers of automobiles, airplanes, tires, medical products, lawn mowers, earthmovers, stepladders, hand-held power tools, lifts, printers, navigational instruments, and numerous other products. More recent jury trials have involved tires, ladders and circular saws.
- B. **MEDICAL MALPRACTICE.** Represented doctors, dentists, nurses, hospitals, and other medical care providers, Mount Sinai Medical Center (a 699-bed facility in Miami Beach, Florida) in addition to United Health, Inc. (owner and operator of nursing home facilities in the United States and Canada). Currently, I primarily do medical malpractice for plaintiffs except in cases where I am specifically retained by a physician. I have also served as an arbitrator in binding arbitration in medical malpractice matters.
- C. **GENERAL TORT.** Litigated matters involving automobile accidents, premises liability, common carrier liability, admiralty, toxic tort liability, and others. Jury trials resulted in jury awards of \$350,000 dollars and \$1,200,000 dollars.
- D. **INSURANCE CONTRACTS.** Represented carriers, companies and individuals in matters involving coverage, uninsured and underinsured motorist claims, reinsurance, excess versus primary, contract interpretation, dissolution and liquidation, bad faith, and other extra-contractual liability.
- E. **COMMERCIAL LITIGATION.** Litigated construction contracts, real estate contracts, brokers' agreements, dealer and franchise agreements, contracts between manufacturers and purchasers (including toxic tort liability) and numerous other commercial disputes.

## **PROFESSIONAL**

### **A. BAR ASSOCIATION/ORGANIZATIONS**

Member Law Center Council; University of Florida College of Law – Board of Trustees, 1975-1978; Law Center Association; University of Florida, College of Law, 1980-Present; Dade County Chairman, Holland Law Center Building Campaign, 1982-1983; Outstanding Dade County Alumnus, 1983.

Dade County Bar Association; Young Lawyers Section – President, 1973-1974 & Board of Directors, 1973-1975; The Florida Bar – Executive Council; Trial Lawyers Section, 1984-1986; Dade County Defense Bar Association – President, 1982; United Fund of Dade County – Chairman, Legal Campaign.

Rated AV by Martindale Hubbell; American Board of Trial Advocates - Inducted 1991; American College of Trial Lawyers – Inducted 1990; Received Dade County Bar Association Pro Bono Award in 2005 - Devoting over 400 hours to “Child Advocacy”.

Recognized in every issue of Best Lawyers, Super Lawyers, etc.

### **B. PUBLICATIONS – LECTURES**

Lawyers Title Guaranty Fund Award, Outstanding Student Real Estate Thesis in the State of Florida, 1966; “The Protective of Equitable Interests Under the Florida Recording Act”, University of Florida Law Review 1966; “Inflation vs. Discount, Florida’s Tort Dilemma”, Florida Trial Lawyers Newsletter, 1984; “Economic Testimony – Knowing Your Options”, Florida Trial Lawyers Newsletter, 1985.

Lectured to physician groups at hospitals, insurance companies, private companies as well as the Dade County Defense Bar Association. Participated in “Masters of Trial” mock trials for the American Board of Trial Advocates for continuing legal education purposes. Have participated in lecture series in Fort Lauderdale, Orlando, and Tampa for Professional Education Systems, Inc., for purposes of Continuing Legal Education. In most of these, I have prepared handouts for attendees as part of the teaching process. My most recent mock trial for the American Board of Trial Advocates was 2012.

## **COURTS**

Admitted to the Florida Bar 1966; U.S. District Courts, Southern District of Florida and Middle District of Florida; U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit and Eleventh Circuit. All state trial and appellate courts.