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EDUCATION

University of South Florida, Bachelor of Arts, Criminal Justice, 1984

Stetson University College of Law, Juris Doctorate, 1987

Scott Borders is a native of Tampa, born in 1962. He graduated from Chamberlain High in 1980. After Chamberlain, he attended the University of South Florida where he obtained his Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice in 1984. His academic performance at USF earned his acceptance into The National Criminal Justice Honor Society, Alpha Phi Sigma.

Mr. Borders attended law school at Stetson University College of Law and graduated in 1987. While at Stetson, he was a member of the College's first Labor Law Moot Court Team and represented the school at the national competition at New York University in 1987.

In April 1988, Mr. Borders began his career representing individuals in Florida's civil courts. Since that day, he has represented the consumer, the injured and their families. He has taken on most insurance companies in Florida, many auto manufacturers, many auto dealerships, debt collectors, negligent doctors and hospitals. Not all of those battles ended in the courtroom.

In 1997 The Florida Bar granted him "Board Certification as a specialist in Civil Trial Law". In order be eligible for Board certification, a lawyer must have extensive trial experience as the lead attorney in jury trials. Once eligible, the attorney must pass an extensive written examination focusing specifically on civil trial law. Less than 5% of all attorneys ever become Board Certified.

Mr. Borders has been honored with the prestigious "AV rating" by Martindale-Hubbell, the preeminent national publication in the legal field. This rating is based upon evaluations by other lawyers and is the highest ranking attainable by an attorney for ability and ethics in the practice of law. It is a distinction reserved for a select few in the legal community.

In 2008, he was admitted into the prestigious American Board of Trial Advocates having been found by his peers to "possess the requisite skill, integrity and experience in the special art of advocacy to qualify for admission". This was one of Scott's proudest accomplishments.

In January of 2000, he joined Morgan & Morgan. Since then, he has had extensive litigation and trial experience in medical negligence cases and catastrophic negligence cases. He has



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represented our clients in many cases resulting in large settlements and verdicts. As Scott says above, “Success in a lawsuit can be measured in many ways. I measure my success by my client's satisfaction that they were represented with skill, effort and heart.

Outside of the practice of law, Mr. Borders is a proud husband, father and member of the Bay Area community. He and his wife Anne have 3 children Matthew, Bridgett and Jackson. He has been a volunteer coach of soccer teams at Hillsborough County United Soccer since 2000. He has participated in the “Great American Teach In” for Hillsborough County Schools since 1999.
Notable Cases: Mason v. Porsche Cars of North America, 5th District Court of Appeal 1993, interpreted Florida’s Lemon Law to make it easier for new car buyers to fight powerful auto manufacturers. Mason involved 2 jury trials and 3 appeals over a 5 year period. Delgado v. Courtesy Pontiac GMC-Truck, Inc, 2nd District Court of Appeal 1997, interpreted Florida Deceptive Trade Practice Act to make it easier for all consumers to challenge big businesses fraudulent practices in civil courts. Kelly v R. Martin Salzgeber, D.D.S., 2nd District Court of Appeal 2002, interpreted Florida’s Consumer Collections Practices Act to make it easier for all consumers to challenge harassment by debt collectors in civil courts.

BAR ADMISSION

- The Florida Bar, 1988

MEMBERSHIPS

- The Hillsborough County Bar Association since 1988
- The Florida Justice Association since 1989
- The American Board of Trial Advocates since 2008
- The Judicial Nominating Commission, 2010-2014

PRACTICE AREAS

- Medical Malpractice & Negligence Lawyers
- Personal Injury Lawyer
- Class Action Attorney

RESULTS

- Degraw v. Gualtieri, Medical Malpractice (2014), $975,000



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- Estate of Alma Davis v. Drse. Nussbaum, Palomado and Corpus, Medical Malpractice (2004), $3,600,000
- Pandelo v. Edmonds, D.C., and Bee Ridge Chiropractic Center, LLC, d/b/a, Medical Malpractice (2015), $1,390,018.51
- Rachel Pandelo v. Darren Edmonds, D.C., Bee Ridge Chiropractic Center, LLC, d/b/a Bee Ridge Chiropractic Center, Medical Malpractice (2015), $1,390,018
- Danielle Turner v. Gunwant Dhaliwal, M.D., Employment Law (2011), $820,000
- Brent and Suzanne Starr v. Dr. Parnassa and Sebring Heart Center, Medical Malpractice (2015), $985,000
- Brent and Suzanne Starr v. Dr. Parnassa and Sebring Heart Center, Medical Malpractice (2015), $985,000
- Private Settlement, Medical Malpractice (2025), $2,100,000

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

- 2027 Best Laywers in America for work in Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs
- Recognized in Best Lawyers in America since 2018
- Board Certified in Civil Trial Law since 1997
- Rated AV Preeminent by Martindale-Hubbell
- Named to Florida Super Lawyers List 2007 - 2018