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Focus

- Litigation
- Banking and Finance
- Healthcare

Diligent, steadfast advocate providing business litigation solutions for corporations and individuals across Florida. Helping clients resolve disputes in the business, healthcare, banking, and real estate sectors.

Jay Brennan is a seasoned, thoughtful litigator with deep roots in Central Florida. He has watched the city of Orlando grow and thrive throughout his practice, evolving his approach over the last four decades to meet and exceed changing client needs and expectations. Jay represents financial institutions, healthcare providers, individuals, corporations, and other business entities in complex civil and commercial litigation matters at both the trial and appellate levels.

A steady partner for businesses navigating the cyclical nature of Florida's dynamic economy, Jay provides calm, measured guidance in a wide array of corporate and transactional disputes across numerous sectors, including banking, healthcare, retail, and real estate. He collaborates with financial institutions, hospitals, insurance companies, and large employers. Notable client relationships include AdventHealth, Parrish Medical Center, TD Bank, and Walmart.

Jay is dedicated to creating positive outcomes for his clients, delivering efficient and effective solutions with each and every matter. His expertise includes contract disputes, healthcare litigation, corporate and partnership disputes, antitrust, mortgage foreclosure, commercial collections, commercial landlord/tenant litigation, business tort and trade secret litigation, employment contract and non-competition disputes, commercial products liability, franchise and manufacturer/dealer disputes, and construction disputes. Jay takes great pride in his tenure at the firm and is committed to teaming with GrayRobinson colleagues in the healthcare, corporate, labor and employment, real estate, and other practices to support his clients with well-rounded, robust counsel.

Notable Work

- *Morgan v. AdventHealth Orlando, MSI and NACS*, Case No. 6:18-cv-1342-Orl-78DCI, United States District Court, Middle District of Florida, Orlando Division - Defeated motion for class

certification in Fair Debt Collection Practices Act Claim and then secured dismissal with prejudice of $90 million class action claim against AdventHealth Orlando.

- *Parrish Medical Center v. McKesson Technologies, Inc.*, Case No. 6:16-cv-00637-PGB- DAB, United States District Court, Middle District of Florida, Orlando Division - Represented Parrish Medical Center to remedy failed IT implementation for hospital.
- *Sprys v. Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.*, Case No. 98-1188-CIV-ORL-31DAB, U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida, Orlando Division - Successful defense of Wal-Mart in $100 million False Claims Act claim of pharmacy price discrimination and alleged Medicaid fraud.
- *Harborside 17 Partners, LLC; US Euro Equity, Ltd.; JUSA Holdings Harborside, Ltd.; Harborside Holdings, NC, Ltd.; Wolfgang Dueren and Jupiter USA, Inc. v. Warren Stanchina; Alan M. Whitney, Mary Lynn Stanchina, Harborside Joint Venture; GreatLand, LLC; US Euro Partners, LLC; and Robert L. Sirianni*, Case No. 2007-CA-612, Circuit Court, Orange County, Florida - Successful defense of $7 million real estate fraud claim and recovery of $7 million settlement in favor of our clients.
- *Cockman v. Spearman*, Case No.: 2014-CA-01130-O, Circuit Court, Orange County, Florida - Recovered Final Judgment for $1,917,181.25 and foiled Ponzi Scheme resulting in arrest and conviction of perpetrator – case featured on Crime Watch Daily.
- *Deas v. Paccar*, 775 F. 2d 1498 (11th Cir 1985) - Judgment notwithstanding jury verdict and new trial orders obtained for Paccar (Peterbilt Motors Company) on the plaintiff's Dealers Day in Court Act, antitrust and tortious interference claims affirmed on appeal because the plaintiff's expert opinions, as to both liability and damages, were completely speculative.
- *Naples Community Hospital, Inc. v Cleveland Clinic Florida Hospital Naples Non Profit Corporation*, Case No. 04-CA- 1928, Circuit Court, Leon County, Florida *Cleveland Clinic Florida Hospital Naples, et al. v. Naples Community Hospital*, Case No. 2 :04-cv-469 -FtM -29 S PC, U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida, Fort Myers Division - Successful defense of Naples Community Hospital against federal and state antitrust claims involving CON agreement, audit and allocation with respect to indigent care.
- *Orlando Utilities Commission v. Century Coal, LLC*, Case No. 6:08-cv-1008-Orl-31KRS, U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida, Orlando Division - Recovery of judgment in favor of OUC for $24+ million in breach of contract case.
- *The Jessey Group, Inc. v. The Pacific Institute, Inc.*, Case No. 95-938-CIV-ORL-19, U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida, Orlando Division - Obtained a $1.3 million jury verdict in a breach of contract and deceptive and unfair trade practices case.
- *Fabry v. E.I. duPont de nemours & Co.*, Case No. CI 91-7972, Circuit Court, Orange County, Florida - Recovered substantial settlement in a commercial products liability case.

Recognition

- *Best Lawyers in America,* 2006-2027
  - Banking and Finance Law
  - Bet-the-Company Litigation
  - Commercial Litigation
- *Florida* Super Lawyers, 2006-2026

Affiliations

- American Bar Association
  - Litigation and Antitrust Sections
- Academy of Florida Trial Lawyers
- American Trial Lawyers Association
- The Florida Bar
  - Trial Lawyers Section
- Million Dollar Advocates Forum
- Orange County Bar Association
- Appointed to Merit Selection Panel to choose United States Magistrate Judge for the Middle District of Florida
- Annika Sorenstam Foundation, Chair
- The First Tee of Central Florida, Former Director
- Ken Griffey Jr. Family Foundation, Chair
- Orlando Science Center, Former Board Member
- Rollins College Alumni Association

Credentials

- J.D., University of Miami, 1979, With Honors
- B.A., Rollins College, 1976

Admissions

- Florida
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Middle and Northern Districts of Florida
- U.S. Supreme Court