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Focus

- Construction
- Litigation
- Appellate
- Professional Liability Defense

Accomplished board-certified construction attorney, delivering favorable results for clients across a range of complex construction litigation matters. Consistently defending professionals in multimillion-dollar cases from inception through trial.

Kellie Caggiano is board-certified in Construction Law by The Florida Bar. She is a member of the GrayRobinson Construction Team and concentrates on a comprehensive range of liability defense matters. With over two decades of experience, she excels in defending contractors, subcontractors, developers, architects, engineers, and other professionals in complex construction litigation cases throughout Florida. Her focus areas include construction defect litigation, professional liability, wrongful death defense, and personal injury defense for construction entities. Kellie also handles transactional matters, including drafting construction contracts, resolving construction liens, and assisting with contract issues.

Kellie has significant trial experience in commercial and construction litigation, handling litigation in federal and state courts throughout Florida. In recent years, Kellie has been instrumental in changing Florida's statute of repose through trial-level and appellate victories.

Kellie's proficiency shines in high-stakes cases, where she regularly handles claims exceeding $10 million, achieving a proven track record of success from case inception through trial. As a seasoned litigator, she is also committed to continuing education, frequently leading seminars on risk transfer and allocation, changes to the statutes of limitations and repose in Florida, litigation strategies in construction law, Florida Statute 558, settlement pitfalls, claims handling, and preservation of appellate issues at trial.

Notable Work

- *William Ogden v. CJM Construction, Inc.,* 386 So. 3d 554 (Fla. 4th DCA 2024) (PCA)
- *Ifrain Benitez v. Lawson Industries, Inc.,* 367 So. 3d 600 (Fla. 3d DCA 2023) (written opinion)
- *Westpark Preserve Homeowners Association, Inc. v. Pulte Home Corporation, et al,* 365 So. 2d 391 (Fla. 2d DCA 2023) (written opinion)

- *Pulte Home Corporation v. Westpark Preserve Homeowners Association, Inc., et al,* 2023 WL 3401391 (Fla. 2d DCA 2023) (PCA)

Recognition

- *American Lawyer Magazine*, 2020 Woman Leader in The Law
- *Best Lawyers in America*, 2026-2027
- *Martindale-Hubbell,* AV® Preeminent Rated

Insights

- "Death by a Thousand Cuts: Managing Eroding Limits in Wrap Claims," Presenter, 2026 CLM Construction Conference, September 23-25, 2026
- "Blueprints & Bottom Lines: Managing Construction Contracts Effectively," Co-Presenter, Lunch and Learn, Associated Contractors and Builders (ABC) Florida Gulf Coast, August 13, 2026
- "Southern CD - Not so Charming," Presenter, 32nd Annual West Coast Casualty Construction Defect Seminar, May 15, 2026
- "GrayRobinson Construction Insight: How the U.S. Supreme Court's Invalidation of IEEPA Tariffs Impacts Contracts in the Construction Industry," GrayRobinson Insight, February 24, 2026
- "How to Prepare Your Files for Litigation: A Client's Guide to Construction Defect Claims," GrayRobinson 2026 Construction Law Seminar, February 11, 2026
- "Riding the Rollercoaster of Florida's Statute of Repose," Annual Construction Law in Florida, The Seminar Group, October 30, 2024
- "It's All You: A General Contractor's Nondelegable Duty in Florida and Its Impacts on Risk Transfer," *CLM Magazine*, August 28, 2024
- "Is There a Non-delegable Duty in the House? Perspectives of Owners v. Contractors," Construction Law Institute, The Florida Bar Real Property, Probate and Trust Law Section, March 21-23, 2024
- "Appellate Considerations in Florida Construction Defect Litigation," Florida Defense Lawyers Association, *The Trial Advocate,* Vol. 41 No. 2
- "The Pros and Cons of Casting a Wide Net in Construction Defect Litigation," Florida Defense Lawyers Association, *The Trial Advocate,* Vol. 6 No. 2
- "Out of Time: Have Recent Rulings Revived the Statute of Repose Defense in Florida?," CLM Annual Construction Conference, September 22-24, 2021
- "The Affluent Homeowner: Managing Emotions in Multi-Million Dollar Construction Defect Litigation," CLM Annual Construction Conference, September 25-27, 2019
- "Life and Death of a Construction Defect Suit," GCI Risk Control Workshop, 2019
- "The Legal Issues Concerning School Resource Officers: Arming School Resource Officers and the Policing of Students," CLM Southeastern Conference, October 3-4, 2019

Media

- "GrayRobinson Adds 5 Construction Attys From Tampa Firm," *Law360*, September 20, 2024

Affiliations

- American Bar Association
    - Trial Practice Committee, Web Editor

- Construction Litigation Management
  - North Florida Chapter, President, 2016-2017
  - Property Conference Committee, Co-Chair
- Construction Lawyers Society of America
- Defense Research Institute
  - Construction Law Committee
- The Florida Bar
  - Construction Litigation Committee
  - Diversity and Inclusion Committee
  - Education Law Committee
  - Real Property Probate and Trust Law
  - Student Education and Admission to the Bar Committee
  - Trial Lawyers Section
- Hillsborough County Bar

Credentials

- J.D., Wake Forest University, 2002
- B.A., University of Florida, 1999, With High Honors
- Board-certified by The Florida Bar in Construction Law

Admissions

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