



## Guy M. Burns

### EXPERIENCE

In addition to being an award winning trial lawyer, Guy is the firm's managing partner. He has over 40 years of trial experience with over 100 trials in State and Federal Courts, as well as dozens of trials conducted before arbitration panels. He primarily represents plaintiffs in complex, business, commercial, securities, financial malpractice and consumer fraud litigation and in class actions, generally on a contingency fee basis. He also represents defendants in selected large, complex commercial disputes. He has successfully represented plaintiffs in numerous disputes against brokerage firms, investment advisers, insurance companies, law firms, accounting firms and other corporate and financial institutions. Guy has represented clients who have record-setting awards and settlements totaling hundreds of millions of dollars.

Guy has a long history of representing plaintiffs on a pro bono basis in numerous public interest cases in both State and Federal Courts. These cases have arisen out of discrimination based upon race, gender and sexual orientation. He has also represented plaintiffs in litigating constitutional claims relating to education, public housing, and global warming and excess greenhouse gas emissions.

For over 20 years Guy has been listed as one of the "Best Lawyers in America" for commercial and financial litigation, and he has regularly been named to the lists of "Florida's Legal Elite", "Bet the Company Trial Lawyers" and "Super Lawyers". He also has been named as "Lawyer of the Year" five times.

### DISTINCTIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

- *The Best Lawyers in America*® since 1999, in the fields of
  - Twice Named as "Bet the Company Lawyer"
  - Repeatedly Named as a SuperLawyer
  - Four Times Lawyer of the Year
- Association for Justices (formerly Association of Trial Lawyers of America)
- Florida Justice Association (formerly Florida Academy of Trial Lawyers)
- American Bar Association Member
- Hillsborough County Bar Association Member
- Petersburg Bar Association Member
- Admitted to The Florida Bar - 1973

### EDUCATION

- University of Missouri B.A. - 1970; J.D. - 1973



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