

## JOELLE J. SILVER

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### AREAS OF PRACTICE

Miscellaneous Professional Liability  
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### ADMISSIONS

Florida  
2017

U.S. District Court Southern  
District of Florida  
2018

### EDUCATION

University of Miami School of Law  
(J.D., cum laude, 2017)

University of Miami (B.S., 2010)

### YEAR JOINED

2017

### OVERVIEW

Joelle is a member of the Professional Liability Department where she focuses on Florida condominium and homeowner association disputes, employment related litigation, construction defect litigation, and privacy and data security matters. Her practice includes representing clients in both federal and state courts and before various administrative agencies.

Specifically, Joelle represents condominium and homeowner associations in a variety of claims including breach of fiduciary duty, breach of contract, breach of the governing documents, and Fair Housing Act claims including matters involving reasonable accommodation requests and alleged discrimination. She also represents employers in a variety of matters including alleged discrimination, as well as architects and engineers, design professionals, general contractors, and subcontractors in construction defect complex litigation.

Additionally, Joelle assists with privacy and data breach matters, helping clients to reduce cyber risk exposures and navigate incident response, containment, and compliance measures following a data breach.

Joelle received her *juris doctor* from the University of Miami School of Law, where she graduated *cum laude* in 2017. While in law school, she had a variety of leadership roles. She was selected to be a Dean's Fellow for Family Law due to her outstanding performance in the class. She was also the Chief Notes and Comments Editor for the *University of Miami Race & Social Justice Law Review* and the Mentorship Chair for the Intellectual Property Law Society. During law school, Joelle additionally worked for a real estate law firm in Miami and had various legal internships with the University of Miami.

## THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

### **In Effort to Reform Florida Condo and HOA Laws, Governor Desantis Signs Two New Bills.**

**Fort Lauderdale**  
**Non-Profit D&O**  
**October 1, 2024**

Governor Ron Desantis recently signed two new bills in an effort to reform both condo and HOA laws in Florida. These both went into effect on July 1, 2024. Case Law Alerts, 4th Quarter, Octo

### **Court agrees with application of the first-injury rule because the related bankruptcy case would not determine whether the defendant committed legal malpractice.**

**Fort Lauderdale**  
**Lawyers' Professional Liability**  
**January 1, 2023**

A former client filed a lawsuit against Bilzin Sumberg, asserting causes of action for malpractice and breach of fiduciary duty. Legal Update for Lawyers' Professional Liability – January 2023 is prepared by Mars

### **Legal professionals do not have a duty to intervene if they become aware that a client may be suicidal.**

**Fort Lauderdale**  
**Lawyers' Professional Liability**  
**January 1, 2023**

Several years of litigation ensued as a result of a 2008 uninsured motorist collision with a car driven by Andreasen, leaving him permanently disabled. On March 10, 2019, Andreasen committed suicide. Legal Update for Lawyers' Professional Liability – January 2023 is prepared by Mars

### **Florida appellate decision alters how the business judgment rule may be used when defending condo associations and their officers and directors.**

**Fort Lauderdale**  
**Non-Profit D&O**  
**April 1, 2022**

In Florida, the business judgment rule cloaks associations as well as officers and directors of condominium and homeowners' associations with protection from their decisions made in carrying out corporate business on behalf of the association. Case Law Alerts, 1st Quarter, Apri

### **Punitive damages under the Florida Civil Rights Act.**

**Fort Lauderdale**  
**Employment Law**  
**October 1, 2021**

Florida Statute 768.72 states, "[i]n any civil action, no claim for punitive damages shall be permitted unless there is a reasonable showing by evidence in the record or proffered by the claimant which would provide a reasonable basis for recovery Case Law Alerts