

## HOLLY M. HAMILTON

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#### **AREAS OF PRACTICE**

Miscellaneous Professional Liability Non-Profit D&O Consumer Financial Services Litigation Employment Law Appellate Advocacy & Post-Trial Practice

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#### **ADMISSIONS**

Florida

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### **EDUCATION**

Maurice A. Dean School of Law at Hofstra University (J.D., 2014)

Florida International University (B.S., 2011)

#### **HONORS & AWARDS**

The Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch®, Financial Services Regulation Law 2021-2025

#### **YEAR JOINED**

2020

## **OVERVIEW**

Holly is an associate in the firm's Professional Liability Department where she focuses on Florida director & officer disputes in not-for-profit condominium and other community associations. These disputes include Fair Housing Act (FHA) claims, condo disputes under Chapter 718, Florida Statutes, and homeowners' association disputes under Chapter 720. Holly has strong defense experience at every level including pre-suit and for actions filed before various governmental agencies, as well as in state and federal courts.

Holly's practice is also focused on a variety of employment disputes. Holly has defended multiple employment discrimination, harassment, and retaliation claims at all levels including disability and racial discrimination claims before the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC).

Further, Holly has also handled a variety of consumer financial services litigation and compliance matters. She has additionally been involved in a range of other civil litigation matters including breach of contract issues, commercial disputes and real estate actions.

Holly received her *juris doctor* from Hofstra University School of Law after majoring in Economics and English at Florida International University. She is admitted to practice law in the states of Florida, New York, and New Jersey, and enjoys reading all manner of fiction.

### THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

# Florida Appellate Court Clarifies Accrual of Employment Discrimination Claims Dually Filed with EEOC and FCHR

Fort Lauderdale Employment Law October 1, 2025

The trial court entered summary judgment in favor of the employer, who argued that the employee's disability discrimination claim was time-barred as it was filed 483 days after receiving the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC)'s right-t

## Appellate Court Reverses Denial of Summary Judgment in FCRA Retaliation Case

Fort Lauderdale Employment Law April 1, 2025

A trial court's denial of summary judgment was overturned after an appellate court found that a job applicant failed to meet the statutory deadline for filing a retaliation claim under the Florida Civil Rights Act (FCRA). Case Law Alerts, 2nd Quarter, Apri

# Florida's Court of Appeals Holds a Private Employee's Recovery for Retaliation Under Florida's Whistleblower Act Must Be for Actual Violations of Law

Fort Lauderdale Employment Law January 1, 2025

The trial court granted an employer's motion for summary judgment and ruled that, for an employee to recover for employment retaliation under Florida's Whistleblower's Act (section 448.102(3)) (FWA), they have to show they objected to, or refused Case Law Alerts, 1st Quarter, Janu

# Florida's Third District Court of Appeal Affirms Dismissal with Prejudice for Failure to Exhaust Administrative Remedies in Sexual Harassment Case.

Fort Lauderdale Employment Law October 1, 2024

The trial court dismissed an employee's sexual harassment lawsuit against her employer for failure to exhaust her administrative remedies. Case Law Alerts, 4th Quarter, Octo

# Florida's Fourth District Court of Appeal Explores "Cat's Paw" Liability Theory in an Employment Law Whistleblower Retaliation Context

Fort Lauderdale Employment Law July 1, 2024

A former city employee filed a lawsuit against the defendant pursuant to section 112.3187(4)(a)-(b), Florida Statutes, where he alleged the City Commission's termination of his employment violated Florida's Whistleblower's Act, (the pertinent part Case Law Alerts, 3rd Quarter, July

#### **PUBLISHED WORKS**

"Consider the Charge Before Responding to an EEOC Investigation," PLUS Blog, June 22, 2023

"Article III Standing Does Not Come from Violation of Statute Alone," *Defense Digest*, Vol. 28, No. 12. December 2022

"Punitive Damage Amendments Soon Subject to Immediate Interlocutory Appeal," *Daily Business Review*, February 9, 2022