

## VALERIE M. LAMB

ASSOCIATE



### AREAS OF PRACTICE

General Liability  
Premises & Retail Liability  
Maritime Litigation

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### ADMISSIONS

Florida  
2022

### EDUCATION

University of Florida Levin College  
of Law (J.D., cum laude, 2022)

McDaniel College (B.A., magna  
cum laude, 2018)

### HONORS & AWARDS

Cali Book Award, Trial Practice

### ASSOCIATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

Tampa Bay Mariners Club

Hillsborough Association of  
Women Lawyers, Leadership  
Academy

### YEAR JOINED

2022

### OVERVIEW

Valerie is an associate in the Casualty Department where she handles matters in third-party insurance defense representing defendants in matters concerning negligence, premises liability, and personal injury. She also devotes a portion of her practice to maritime litigation.

Valerie received her Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and International Studies from McDaniel College in Westminster, Maryland. She received her *juris doctor* from University of Florida Levin College of Law, graduating *cum laude*. At UF, Valerie was a Levin Ambassador, a member of the Eighth Judicial Circuit Bar Association, Social Chair of the Latino Law Student Association, and a Research Assistant for Maryam Jamshidi. When she was not in the classroom, she enjoyed leading the UF Law Softball team to the UVA Invitational Tournament as President. Valerie received the Cali Book Award for Trial Practice in the Fall of 2021.

Outside of the legal field, Valerie enjoys cheering on the Gators every Saturday during College Football Season. She also enjoys seeing musicals at the Straz Center for the Performing Arts.

### PRO-BONO ACTIVITIES

Jacksonville Area Legal Aid- Immigration

### THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

#### Valerie Lamb Accepted to Hillsborough Association for Women Lawyers Leadership Academy

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December 14, 2023  
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### CLASSES/SEMINARS TAUGHT

*It's Legislative Changes and Related Impacts on Boat Rental Companies*, Tampa Bay Mariners Club, February 6, 2023

## RESULTS

### Summary Judgment Obtained in an Auto Negligence Case Involving a Peer-to-Peer Car Sharing App

#### **Rideshare Liability**

**August 31, 2023**

We secured summary judgment in an auto negligence case, in which we represented a car sharing app and an individual vehicle owner who rented our his car using the app. The plaintiff alleged that, under Florida's Dangerous Instrumentality Doctrine, the app and the owner were vicariously liable for the renter of the vehicle, who allegedly struck the plaintiff's vehicle. We successfully argued that the Graves Amendment preempts the application of the dangerous instrumentality doctrine and exempts our clients from vicarious liability for the alleged negligence of the driver.