

RAYCHEL A. GARCIA

SHAREHOLDER



AREAS OF PRACTICE

Automobile Liability
Premises & Retail Liability
General Liability
Product Liability
Commercial Litigation
Miscellaneous Professional Liability
Catastrophic Claims Litigation
Social Services & Human Services Liability

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ADMISSIONS

Florida
2011

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EDUCATION

Stetson University College of Law
(J.D., 2011)

University of Florida, (B.S., cum
laude, B.A., cum laude, 2008)

ASSOCIATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

Orange County Bar Association

LANGUAGES

Spanish (Fluent)

YEAR JOINED

2024

OVERVIEW

Raychel Garcia is a dedicated member of the Casualty Department, focusing on insurance coverage and general liability claims, including premises liability, motor vehicle negligence, bodily injury (BI), personal injury protection (PIP), catastrophic injuries, wrongful death claims, professional liability, and negligent security actions. In addition, her commercial litigation practice encompasses business torts, breach of contract, fraud, and misrepresentation matters. Raychel manages all aspects of representation in both state and federal courts.

Raychel has represented individuals, professionals and corporate clients in state and federal court resolving cases pertaining to premises liability, retail, negligent security, sex abuse, criminal, and professional liability. She has extensive experience defending clients in complex sexual abuse and molestation cases, including allegations arising in settings such as hotels, scouts, churches, schools, and healthcare providers, providing a thorough and strategic defense tailored to each unique situation.

Prior to joining Marshall Dennehey, she was at an insurance defense law firm in Orlando and served as first chair trial attorney in multiple trials on behalf of the world's leading theme park and resort, an arts and crafts store, a major U.S. convenience store, and an upscale all-suite hotel chain.

Raychel's experience also includes serving as assistant state attorney with the Orange County State Attorney's Office where she first chaired over 75 criminal jury trials and litigated hundreds of motions and depositions for cases involving misdemeanors and felonies. She was selected to serve in the Special Victim's Unit where she prosecuted capital cases and was assigned high profile cases involving RICO matters and cases pertaining to the hotel industry. For her exemplary work, Raychel received the Orange County Sheriff's Office Citizen Award.

Raychel received her juris doctor from Stetson University College of Law, in May 2011 and Bachelor of Arts *cum laude* and Bachelor of Science *cum laude* from the University of Florida in May 2008, graduating with majors in Psychology and political science.

Raychel is licensed to practice law in Florida. She is a board member for the Foundation for Seminole County Schools and a member of the Orange County Bar Association. Raychel previously held positions with the Seminole County Library Board and City of Altamonte Springs Zoning Board.

She is fluent in Spanish.

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

Marshall Dennehey Bolsters Florida Casualty Practice With Addition of Litigation Trio in Orlando

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July 25, 2024

A trio of attorneys – two with extensive trial experience in casualty litigation matters – has joined Marshall Dennehey's Orlando office.

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RESULTS

Sex Trafficking and Abuse Claims Against Hotel Successfully Dismissed

Catastrophic Claims Litigation

Premises & Retail Liability

July 25, 2025

We were successful in having all claims against our client's hotel dismissed. This case involved deeply distressing allegations of sex trafficking and abuse by the plaintiff's mother, occurring when the plaintiff was a minor. The claims against our client's hotel were brought under the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act (TVPRA) and Florida law.

Summary Judgment Secured in a Slip-and-Fall Premises Liability Case

Premises & Retail Liability

June 19, 2025

We were granted final summary judgment in a slip-and-fall premises liability case. The plaintiff alleged she slipped and fell on an unidentified wet substance while waiting in line at the defendant's convenience store. The plaintiff admitted she did not see the substance prior to her fall and did not know what it was, where it came from or how long it had been there. She testified that the wetness appeared to have been tracked in by other customers, noting their shoes were wet. We moved for summary judgment, arguing that the plaintiff could not meet her burden under § 768.0755, Fla.

Victory Obtained at Trial in Case Involving Negligent Sidewalk Design

Premises & Retail Liability

February 12, 2025

We won a premises liability case involving allegations of negligent sidewalk design. The plaintiff, a quadriplegic who has been in a wheelchair since 1984, entered our client's convenience store using the designated wheelchair ramp without issue. However, upon leaving the store, he inexplicably failed to use the same ramp and, instead, attempted to go directly over the curb, resulting in a fall and a fractured leg. During his deposition, the plaintiff admitted he successfully navigated the wheelchair ramp upon entering the store.